

Palmetto City Commission
May 16, 2005 7:00 PM

Elected Officials present:

Larry Bustle, Mayor
Brian Williams, Vice Mayor
Eric Ball, Commissioner
Tamara Cornwell, Commissioner
Mary Lancaster, Commissioner
Tambra Varnadore, Commissioner

Staff and others present:

Michele Hall, Attorney
Chief Garry Lowe
Chris Lukowiak, Public Works Director
Jessica McCann, City Planner
Diane Ponder, Deputy Clerk-Administration

Mayor Bustle called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Bustle gave an invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

Len Sirotzki, Ed.,D. accepted a proclamation read by Mayor Bustle declaring May 21, 2005 as Blue Star Salute Day in the City.

Braxton Ezell, Flotilla Commander and Dee Kermode, Vice Commander of US Coast Guard Auxiliary accepted a proclamation read by Mayor Bustle declaring May 21-27, 2005 as National Safe Boating Week in the City.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charlie Castelli, secretary of the Riviera Dunes Homeowner's Association petitioned the Commission to allow the Police Department to patrol the private streets of Riviera Dunes. Attorney Hall will prepare a contract and bring it forward for Commission's review and approval at a subsequent meeting.

Mrs. Ponder advised the Commission the consideration of the resolution for the CRA \$500,000 line of credit will be brought forward at the June 6, 2005 Commission meeting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. AGENDA APPROVAL

Mayor Bustle requested the agenda be modified to add the code enforcement officer appointment. The Capital Improvement Plan modification will require approval by ordinance so it will not be brought forward to this agenda. Commission agreed to allow Public Works to begin the 7th Ave. and 7th St. intersection project.

MOTION: Mr. Williams moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the May 16, 2005, 7:00 PM agenda as modified.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A) Minutes: May 2, 2005 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM Commission meetings
- B) April 2005 Check Register
- C) Special Function Permit – Manatee County Library

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Mr. Williams seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the Consent Agenda.

2A. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER APPOINTMENT

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Mr. Williams seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the appointment of William Strollo as a City code enforcement officer.

3. PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE NO. 05-853

Ordinance No. 05-853 was read by title.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, CREATING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE I, SECTION 7-10 PERTAINING TO HURRICANE SAFETY AND THE SECURING OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS; PROVIDING FOR THE PROMULGATION OF OPERATIONAL RULES OF PROCEDURE; PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Bustle opened the public hearing. After no public comment, Mayor Bustle closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to adopt Ordinance No. 05-853.

4. PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE NO. 05-854

Ordinance No. 05-854 was read by title.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT TO PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE III, SECTIONS 3-69 AND 3-71, PERTAINING TO VARIANCES FROM THE SIGN ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT OF APPENDIX B, ARTICLE XII, SECTION 12.4 OF THE CITY ZONING CODE, PERTAINING TO POWERS OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD; PROVIDING NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS CONDUCTED BY THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD; PROVIDING THAT APPEALS FROM DECISIONS OF THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR SHALL BE FILED WITH THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD WITHIN THIRTY DAYS; PROVIDING THAT APPEALS FROM DECISIONS OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD SHALL BE HEARD BY THE CITY COMMISSION; PROVIDING THAT SUCH APPEALS MUST BE FILED WITH THE CITY COMMISSION WITHIN THIRTY DAYS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Bustle opened the public hearing. After no public comment, Mayor Bustle closed the public hearing.

MOTION: Ms. Varnadore moved, Mr. Williams seconded and motion carried 5-0 to adopt Ordinance No. 05-854.

5. PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE NO. 05-855

Ordinance No. 05-855 was read by title.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; APPROVING A GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PALMETTO RETAIL CENTER; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (GDP 05-03 Kendar Marsac LLC, PID # 2422200059, approximately 4.3 acres)

Mayor Bustle opened the public hearing. Mayor Bustle closed the public hearing. City Planner Jessica McCann requested time to address Commission about the topic. Attorney Hall advised it was permissible to allow Ms. McCann review her staff report.

Ms. McCann referred Commission to her staff report for the details of the project, but reviewed certain aspects of the project as follows:

- P&Z approved a conceptual plan in 2000 with stipulations
- Project was to be completed in two phases
- Several time extensions were granted but expired before the applicant received general development plan approval
- The applicant submitted construction plans that were significantly different than plans approved in 2000
- When P&Z reviewed the project, the major issue was the landscaping along US 301 and 26th Street.
- The project was approved with several stipulations as to the landscaping requirements.
 - The original conceptual plan approved a 15 foot landscape buffer surrounding the property.
 - The 2005 plan proposes 8 feet along right-of-ways and 15 feet at the rear of the property.

Ms. McCann advised the Commission she had spoken with the chairman of the Planning and Zoning Board and it is his opinion the proposal did not meet the intent the Board tried to achieve with the developer.

Ms. McCann confirmed that for practical purposes the proposal is before the Commission as a first time general development plan approval. She stated the developer did rely on the DRC approval; however, the developer is aware that this submittal is significantly different from what was originally approved. Ms. McCann informed the Commission they were not obligated to approve any variances originally approved. Attorney Hall informed the Commission that because the proposal deviated from what was approved, it was being submitted without approval from the Planning and Zoning Board; Commission could listen to whoever wished to speak about the project, approve or disapprove the project or remand it back to the Planning and Zoning Board for further consideration.

Commissioner Williams stated his preference to remand the project back to the Planning and Zoning Board. He requested an overlay of the changes be presented at the next Commission review. Mayor Bustle questioned why the original constraints would not apply now. Ms. McCann informed the Commission the application was approved by DRC, but that approval does not grant development rights. If a project is significantly different from a conceptual plan it must go back through the approval process as a new application.

Dan Sac, owner of the property, reviewed dates of City approvals and referred to a letter from the City's DRC Coordinator Van Brown stating the plans were approved. Ms. McCann confirmed the project was approved by DRC but the general development plan was never approved by City Commission. Gary Boucher, Mr. Sac's engineer, stated his opinion the proposed plan met the intent of the Planning and Zoning Board; one remaining issue is a piece of the landscaping that does not meet the 15 foot requirement. Mr. Boucher stated adjustments to eliminate the issue could be accomplished to satisfy the Planning and Zoning Board.

Attorney Hall cautioned the Commission that Planning and Zoning Board is the best place to ensure stipulations from the board have been met. Ms. McCann explained the plan before Commission is a general development plan and general development and conceptual plans can

be collapsed and Commission may approve both simultaneously. Ms. McCann confirmed Commission may discuss the variance from 35' to 15'.

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved and Mr. Williams seconded to remand the item back to the Planning and Zoning Board.

Ms. Varnadore requested Attorney Hall keep abreast of the issue to ensure legality. Mr. Williams requested an overlay showing the changes be provided when the topic comes back to Commission.

Because of a contract deadline facing the developer, Commission determined a special meeting of the Planning and Zoning Board will be called. Mayor Bustle suggested reopening the public hearing and continuing the item to June 6, 2005.

Mayor Bustle reopened the public hearing on Ordinance No. 05-855.

Mr. Ball withdrew his motion and Mr. Williams withdrew his second to remand the item back to the Planning and Zoning Board.

The public hearing was continued to June 6, 2005.

6. SPECIAL FENCE PERMIT – 1201 20TH AVENUE WEST

Applicant requesting to fence a side yard along 12th St. W. with a 6' white PVC fence to surround a swimming pool. Adjacent property owner is also applying for a special fence permit to fence the back of the property from the right-of-way line to join the fence.

7. SPECIAL FENCE PERMIT – 1202 21ST AVENUE WEST

Applicant requesting to fence a rear property line with a 6' white PVC fence to be located 25 feet from the east property line. Adjacent property owner also applying for a special fence permit to join the fence at the 12th St. W. right-of-way line.

MOTION: Ms. Varnadore moved, Ms. Cornwell seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the Special Fence Permit for 1202 21st Ave. W. and the Special Fence Permit for 1201 20th Ave. W.

8. APPROVAL-VISION STATEMENT FOR THE WATERFRONT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Ms. Lukowiak stated Wallace, Roberts and Todd, the consulting firm under contract to develop a Waterfront Community Development Plan, has compiled public comments received at charettes and has created a Vision Statement from a 2025 perspective for the controlled development of the waterfront. She informed the Commission the proposed boat ramp closing would not occur until an alternative location with adequate parking has been established. Ms. Lukowiak also stated that all priorities would be reviewed and approved by the CRA prior to presentation for Commission's approval. CRA will proceed by establishing priorities budget specific to the plan's implementation; immediate, mid and long-term projects will be developed.

MOTION: Mrs. Lancaster moved, Ms. Cornwell seconded and motion carried 5-0 to adopt the Vision Statement for the Waterfront Community Plan.

9. GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION

The Police Department is seeking authorization to apply for a Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.

MOTION: Ms. Cornwell moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to authorize the Police Department to apply for a Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grant in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.

10. APPROVAL-HOLY CROSS MANOR UTILITY AGREEMENT

The developer of Holy Cross Manor, an affordable senior housing project, has agreed to design and construct sanitary sewer infrastructure at their expense in exchange for an equal credit against pending impact fees.

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Ms. Cornwell seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the Utility Agreement with Holy Cross Manor, Inc.

11. APPROVAL-TRAFFIC REGULATION MODIFICATION

In an attempt to alleviate traffic congestion at the 10th St. W. and 8th Ave. W. intersection, the Public Works Department is requesting, with the City engineer's approval, that 7th Ave. W. between 11th St. Dr. W. and 10th St. W. be converted to a one-way southbound street. During discussion of the topic, staff confirmed property owners along 7th Ave. W. between 11th St. Dr. W. and 10th St. W. had not been individually noticed of the potential change.

Attorney Hall advised that the Code requires that two Commissioners must call the topic up for consideration or staff makes the presentation and the regulation automatically becomes effective.

Ms. Varnadore suggested the motion stipulate that homeowners be individually notified and if any issues are brought forward by the homeowners after a specific date, then the topic must come back to Commission for approval.

Ms. Varnadore and Mr. Williams called the topic up for consideration.

MOTION: Ms. Varnadore moved, Mr. Williams seconded and motion carried 3-2 to approve the traffic regulation modification converting 7th Ave. to a one-way southbound street between 11th St. Dr. W. and 10th St. W. and authorize the installation of appropriate traffic signage with stipulations as stated. Mrs. Lancaster and Ms. Cornwell voted no.

12. RESOLUTION NO. 05-23

Resolution No. 05-23 expresses the City's desire to pursue the development of cable television regulation with Manatee County and other County municipalities and authorizes staff to negotiate the development of an interlocal agreement terms to create a Manatee County Cable Television Consortium.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING THE DESIRE OF THE CITY TO PURSUE WITH MANATEE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND OTHER MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY INTERGOVERNMENTAL CO- OPERATION AND COORDINATION IN CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE REGULATION AND ADMINISTRATION; PROVIDING INSTRUCTIONS TO STAFF; MAKING RELATED FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING THAT CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS BE SUPERCEDED; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: Ms. Varnadore moved, Mr. Ball seconded and motion carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 05-23.

13. RESOLUTION NO. 05-24

Resolution No. 05-24 expresses the City's support of a periodic review of all sales tax exemptions and exclusions.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO SUPPORTING AMENDMENTS TO THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION REQUIRING THE PERIODIC REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF ALL SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 05-24.

14. RESOLUTION NO. 05-25

Resolution No. 05-25 modifies the current cleaning services contract to include the Building Department location.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 04-64, WHICH RESOLUTION ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: Ms. Cornwell moved, Ms. Varnadore seconded and motion carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 05-25.

15. RESOLUTION NO. 05-26

Resolution establishes a budget to accept funding from the Department of Justice Local Law Enforcement Block Grant.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 04-64, WHICH RESOLUTION ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: Ms. Cornwell moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 05-26.

16. WATERFORD PALMS AT RIVIERA DUNES EASEMENT DEDICATION

As a condition of approval of the general development plan, Waterford Palms at Riviera Dunes agreed to give the City certain easements along the north, east and west side of the property boundaries.

MOTION: Ms. Cornwell moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to accept and authorize the Mayor to execute the Waterford Palms at Riviera Dunes' drainage, flowage and maintenance easements.

17. ASSIGNMENT OF WARD NUMBERS

Due to the upcoming ward seat elections, the City must assign a ward number to the Manatee Fruit Company and Diocese of Venice properties recently annexed into the City.

MOTION: Ms. Cornwell moved, Mr. Ball seconded and motion carried 5-0 to assign the Manatee Fruit Company and Diocese of Venice properties to Ward 1.

18. ELECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT

The Supervisor of Elections will conduct the City's ward seat elections scheduled November 8, 2005. The Elections Services Agreement formalizes the City's responsibilities during the election.

MOTION: Mrs. Lancaster moved, Mr. Ball seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve and authorize the City Clerk to execute the Election Services Agreement.

19. EASTSIDE MASTER LIFT STATION ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING

Engineers have determined there is a less expensive and more efficient construction plan for the eastside master lift station. The second portion of this item is the budget amendment to authorize the increase in the contract.

MOTION: Ms. Varnadore moved, Ms. Cornwell seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute Supplemental Authorization #1 of the Professional Services contract with ZNS to provide design engineering and permitting for the eastside master lift station in an amount not to exceed \$105,500.

RESOLUTION NO. 05-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 04-64, WHICH RESOLUTION ADOPTED THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: Ms. Varnadore moved, Mr. Williams seconded and motion carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 05-28.

20. CITY PLANNER/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

A review of the salary range by Cody & Associates indicated the City should increase the range. Mayor Bustle informed Commission a new job description has been prepared for the position raising the qualifications, requiring certification and supervisory skills.

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Ms. Varnadore seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the City Planner/Zoning Administrator salary range increase from grade 112 to grade 115 at a range of \$41,183 to \$61,775.

Staff was instructed to contact Cody & Associates to derive how the range was determined as well as obtaining the cost to have Cody & Associates perform a review of the City's pay plan.

21. 1st READING & ADVERTISING APPROVAL – ORDINANCE NO. 05-849

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO AMENDING THE CITY'S GOVERNING ORDINANCES AS PERTAINING TO ITS CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR ADDITION OF DEFINITION; PROVIDING FOR DESIGNATION OF THE CITY ATTORNEY AS COUNSEL TO THE CODE ENFORCEMENT STAFF AND AUTHORIZATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD; PROVIDING FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A TWO HEARING SYSTEM IN LINE WITH *MASSEY v. CHARLOTTE COUNTY*; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT TO NOTICE REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR REGULATION ON THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY SUBJECT TO ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS; PROVIDING AMENDMENT TO THE PROCESS TO DESIGNATE CITY EMPLOYEES AS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: Mrs. Lancaster moved, Mr. Williams seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve Ordinance No. 05-849 for advertising and schedule a public hearing June 6, 2005.

22. 1st READING & ADVERTISING APPROVAL – ORDINANCE NO. 05-856

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE PURCHASING CODE; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 2, PURCHASING, SECTIONS 2-56, 2-57, 2-58, 2-62, 2-63 AND 2-64 OF THE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO THE PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES, COMPETITIVE BIDDING, SOLE SOURCE PURCHASES, VENDOR DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION, BID

PROTESTS AND APPEALS, DISPUTES RELATING TO CONTRACTS AND DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: Mrs. Lancaster moved, Ms. Cornwell seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve Ordinance No. 05-856 for advertising and schedule a public hearing June 6, 2005.

23. 1st READING & ADVERTISING APPROVAL – ORDINANCE NO. 05-850

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; ANNEXING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TO THE CITY OF PALMETTO; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT OF CITY BOUNDARIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Friedrich Mayr, Palmetto Hasko LLC, AN0502, PID # 2599610108 and 2598800007 approximately 4.58 Acres).

MOTION: Mrs. Lancaster moved, Ms. Cornwell seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve Ordinance No. 05-850 for advertising and schedule a public hearing June 6, 2005.

24. DEPARTMENT HEADS' COMMENTS

Mr. Lukowiak

Reported the engineering vibration study performed for the 7th Street construction project has been completed and found the vibration could not have caused the problems reported by residents in the area. Notice of the findings has been sent to the residents, but some are questioning the City's position. It was consensus of Commission that "In accordance with the engineering study, the City of Palmetto assumes no responsibility."

Reported that some residents in the 7th Street project area do not want curbing and some residents want Miami curb rather than D curbs. He also reported that the curbing has created problems with the mail boxes in some areas; Westra Construction has agreed to relocate the mail boxes at cost. Staff will further research the topic and bring a solution to Commission at a subsequent meeting.

Reported Don Patterson is leaving the wastewater treatment plant.

Chief Lowe

Commended Sgt. Stinson and his staff for the arrest of three burglary suspects that also enabled Bradenton to close five vehicle burglary cases.

The search for a new captain continues. Chief Lowe reviewed the members of the selection committee.

Attorney Hall

Participated in a brief conference call with Bill Lisch & Bill Klaigh regarding growth management matters. Manatee County still does not have in place a scope of work for the countywide land development guidelines. She will keep Commission apprised as developments occur.

Rob Esenfelder will be advised the City has passed the resolution regarding participation in the county wide cable television consortium. If Manatee County develops an interlocal agreement, it will be provided at a subsequent meeting for Commission review.

25. MAYOR'S REPORT

Attended the events recognizing the departure of Jessica McCann and Captain Hedrick.

County Commission voted to reconsider the aquatic center at Blackstone Park; the item is scheduled for the June 6, 2005 agenda. Mayor Bustle stated he will speak on behalf of the project and would like to also enlist people from the Terra Ceia community and representatives of Manatee Fruit Company.

The growth management law which passed will have implications for the City. The telecommunications bill also passed. He stated the bill will allow what the City plans for the fiber optic ring but it will be difficult because of the requirements the City will have to meet.

Spoke of his ride-along with Sgt. Tyler Saturday night, stating he was witness to some very good police work. Stated the City needs to figure out what, if anything can be done about Club Nitrous. Mayor Bustle voiced concern about the entire night force having to monitor the club at closing during which time criminal acts are occurring in other parts of the City. The ride-along reinforced the fact that the Hispanic population in Oakridge is victims due to the large amount of cash they carry because of their distrust of banks and authority. Stated his belief the City should be proactive in finding a safe place, other than banks, in which they can deposit their cash. Ms. Lukowiak suggested several alternatives; educational flyers, disposable debit cards, etc. Ms. Lukowiak stated CRA would address the issue.

Met with Pat Glass and Rob Roberts of Manatee County Housing Authority. MCHA is interested in providing their services to the City. A cooperative agreement is being prepared.

26. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Mr. Williams

The occupational license ordinance revision is being done.

Stated the raised sidewalks and speed bumps should be better marked.

Questioned if the 7th Avenue traffic regulation approved should be completed by resolution. Attorney Hall stated that if a regulation was raised by Commission, it would require resolution approval.

Public Works will place guards on the benches outside City Hall to prevent vandalism by skateboards.

Stated his belief the chamber's audio system needs to have the ability for the Mayor to recognize the next speaker.

Stated to some members on the dais that if they wish to raise salaries they are going to have to raise taxes or find some way to find the funds.

Ms. Varnadore

Reiterated her belief the City is in need of a Victim's Advocate, who should be bilingual to benefit all the communities of the City.

Asked that Commission be apprised of the curbing issue decision.

Spoke of the noise issue at Palms of Terra Ceia, where construction is beginning at 6:00 AM. Attorney Hall was instructed to prepare the necessary document to amend the noise ordinance so that construction cannot begin before 8:00 AM on Saturday and Sunday.

Ms. Cornwell

Requested Commission is provided the rules governing the creation of a community development district in effect when Palms of Terra Ceia was established, together with current rules.

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Suggested research is done to find out how other entities have found to effectively spend building department funds.

When water bills are paid through the computer payments are not being posted and late fees are added.

Mr. Lukowiak and Chief Lowe were a huge success at the Lincoln Middle School 8th Grade dance.

Requested concerned parties are notified when the port-o-potty ordinance is near completion.

Mr. Ball

Referring to the Buxton Communities, Ms. Lukowiak stated CRA has not yet shared the information with developers. A site by site assessment is being performed.

Referring to the 7th Avenue traffic issue, stated that if the Code does not require notification of items being presented to Commission, every effort should be made to notify residents that may be affected.

Stated he strongly disagrees with closing 7th Avenue because in the future it may be necessary to make 8th Avenue a northerly one-way route and 7th Avenue a southerly one-way route.

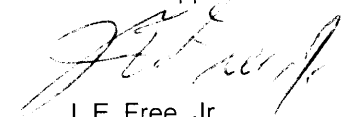
Mrs. Lancaster

Stated the public should be notified before voting on any street traffic changes.

Manatee Opportunity Council has moved to 302 Manatee Ave. E. in Bradenton. Procedures for fair housing now contain seven classes of protected people. Discussed rights handicapped individuals have when renting homes.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 PM.

Minutes approved: June 6, 2005



J. E. Free, Jr.
City Clerk