

Palmetto City Commission  
August 1, 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  
Frank Woodard, Deputy Public Works Director  
Jessica McCann, City Planner Consultant  
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.

Public Comment: Don Scandalito, 1127 27th Ave. W., spoke to Commission about a car that has been parked on the street in his neighborhood for three years. During the conversation he also referred to a property that Code Enforcement has been working on to remove vehicles violating the Code.

1. AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the August 1, 2005, 7:00 PM agenda.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A) Attorney billing through June 30, 2005
- B) Special Function Permit – Manatee Glens Walk for Life

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the August 1, 2005 Consent Agenda.

3. CONTRACT APPROVAL - EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORT

On July 18, 2005 Commission awarded the bid to review the City's Comprehensive Plan and prepare the Evaluation and Appraisal Report to Michele Mellgren & Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$69,000.

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the 2006 Evaluation and Appraisal Report Agreement for Consultant Services to Michele Mellgren & Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$69,000.

4. 1st READING & ADVERTISING APPROVAL-ORDINANCE NO. 05-861

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT OF APPENDIX B, ARTICLE VI, OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES, PERTAINING TO TEMPORARY USE OF PORTABLE RESTROOM FACILITIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: Mr. Ball moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve Ordinance No. 05-861 for advertising and schedule a public hearing August 15, 2005.

#### 5. DEPARTMENT HEADS' COMMENTS

##### Mr. Lukowiak

Informal interviews are being held with the City Planner position to create a short list of the applicants.

#### 6. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Children's Summit will be held Saturday at the Civic Center.

The City is waiting on one item from Riviera Dunes to close the final property purchase in the Estuary Park.

A meeting was held with the Manatee County Administrator Ernie Padgett to discuss outstanding City issues. In an effort to finalize the pending water agreement, Mr. Padgett and City staff agreed on inserting verbiage into the document to the effect that the City will receive water "subject to the availability of water permits from SWFWMD". Mayor Bustle summarized the topics discussed as follows:

WalMart: The City will request the County to furnish water directly to the business.  
Jackson Park: The County's purchasing agent is ready to start purchasing property for the pond.  
ASR well: The County has expressed an interest in the well.

Advised the Commission that on June 18 and July 23 the City exceeded the two million gallons per day waster consumption rate resulting in an overage charge. Mr. Lukowiak stated his belief it is a meter or human error. He will pursue the item with appropriate County personnel.

Mayor Bustle reported on the success of the summer intern Next Step program; the Parks & Rec Department employed four individuals, Police Department, two and Public Works employed one in the office. Mayor Bustle read a letter from Ms. Green regarding her employment experience at the City's Public Works Department.

Manatee Opportunity Council has requested a letter of reappointment for Commissioner Mary Lancaster. Commission concurred with Mayor Bustle's request for Mrs. Lancaster's reappointment.

Alternate Cable TV Consortium board members need to be appointed. Mr. Ball volunteered to be first alternate and Ms. Cornwell second.

#### 7. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

##### Ms. Varnadore

Requested the parking issue Mr. Scandalito discussed be brought to a workshop meeting. Attorney Hall stated there may be legal justification to enact an ordinance restricting the time a vehicle may park on the street, as the situation could be detrimental to property values. Mr. Lukowiak informed Commission the Kimley Horn traffic study agreement, which will address street parking, will be coming to them for approval within the next month.

Reported Miami curbing is crossing the street at 20th Avenue and 6th Street. Public Works will work the problem.

Commented on an email concerning individuals placing an In Case of Emergency (ICE) phone number and contact in their cell phone directories. A message concerning the topic will be placed on the utility bills.

Mr. Williams

Public Works reported they are filling potholes as time and weather allows.

Public Works reported the front doors to City Hall have been ordered and will be delivered in approximately six weeks.

Mrs. Lancaster

Reported she will be out of town next week.

Code Enforcement has been given a list of addresses needing review.

Public Works was requested to look at a property close to 10th Avenue and 11th Street.

Mr. Ball

The Palmetto Historical Commission will hold an ice cream social Saturday.

Inquired the status of the Regatta Pointe Lease. Attorney Hall reported it should be on the August 29, 2005 agenda for Commission review.

Ms. Cornwell

Confirmed the August 8, 2005 Commission joint meeting with CRA will begin at 5:00 pm.

Discussed the need to prohibit any new aluminum buildings being erected in residential areas. The prohibition will be added to the land development code review.

The Police Department reported it is ready for schools opening August 8, 2005.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Minutes approved: August 15, 2005



James R. Freeman  
City Clerk