

**CITY OF PALMETTO
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
AND CRA BOARD MEETING**

**April 2, 2018
7:00 PM**

Elected Officials Present:

Shirley Groover Bryant, Mayor
Jonathan Davis, Vice Mayor, Commissioner-at-Large 1
Tamara Cornwell, Commissioner-at-Large 2
Harold Smith, Commissioner, Ward 1
Tambra Varnadore, Commissioner, Ward 2
Brian Williams, Commissioner, Ward 3

Staff Present:

Mark Barnebey, City Attorney
Jeff Burton, CRA Director
Jim Freeman, City Clerk
Allen Tusing, Director of Public Works
Scott Tyler, Chief of Police
Amber LaRowe, Assistant City Clerk

Mayor Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

All persons intending to address the City Commission were duly sworn.

PROCLAMATION: Commissioner Williams presented the National Tartan Day Proclamation to Bob Greene and Carol Sensbach, President, New World Celts.

PROCLAMATION: Commissioner Davis presented the Donate Life Month Proclamation to Commissioner Cornwell.

1. CITY COMMISSION AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion: Commissioner Cornwell moved, Commissioner Davis seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the April 2, 2018 Commission Agenda.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

A. City Clerk's Office

1. Resolution 2018-14 Park Operating Hours
2. Blalock Walters Legal Bills

B. Police Department

3. Interagency Agreement for Information Sharing

Motion: Commissioner Varnadore moved, Commissioner Davis seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the April 2, 2018 Consent Agenda.

It was requested that staff prepare another resolution for the next workshop meeting regarding park operating hours. The one on tonight's agenda was approved as it relates to the operating hours for the cemeteries.

4. 1ST READ ORDINANCE 2018-05 904 11TH AVE WEST VACATION

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, VACATING A RIGHT-OF-WAY APPROXIMATELY 114 FEET IN LENGTH AND 20 FEET WIDE, LYING EAST OF 11TH AVENUE WEST, NORTH OF 9TH STREET WEST. SAID PARCEL IS LOCATED GENERALLY AT 904 11TH AVENUE WEST, PID#2693600005, AND AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion: Commissioner Cornwell moved, Commissioner Williams seconded the motion to schedule Ordinance 2018-05 for a public hearing on April 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as same can be heard in these Chambers.

Karla Owens, Development Services Director, requested that the title block be amended to say "10 feet wide" instead of "20 feet wide". Both Commissioner Cornwell and Williams amended the motion on the floor to include this change. The amended motion carried 5-0.

5. 1ST READ ORDINANCE 2018-11 LIVESTOCK AND FOWL

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE I, SECTION 6-1 OF THE PALMETTO CODE OF ORDINANCES, BIRD SANCTUARY, TO PROHIBIT THE HARBORING OR KEEPING OF CHICKENS OR ROOSTERS EXCEPT IN CONFORMANCE WITH CITY REGULATIONS, AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE II, SECTION 6-31 OF THE PALMETTO CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES, LIVESTOCK AND FOWL, TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS FOR KEEPING OF HENS WITHIN CITY LIMITS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

As discussed at today's Workshop meeting, Mrs. Owens and Mr. Barnebey will be working on the recommended changes. The title block may have to be altered before advertisement. The Commission would like this item put on the next workshop meeting.

No action taken.

6. REQUEST FOR CITY STAFF TO INITIATE REZONING OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1550 U.S. HIGHWAY 301 NORTH

Mrs. Owens displayed a map regarding the property in question. She reviewed the current zoning of this property as well as the surrounding properties. She gave a background of this property and the zoning, stating that in 2006 the City annexed 7.58 acres of property located at the northwest corner of Canal Road and U.S. Highway 301 North. During that annexation, another ordinance was adopted designating the subject property with a future land use map classification of Planned Community (PC). During the public hearings for the annexation and the comprehensive plan map change, the property owner indicated that he did not have any current use planned for the property; however, he anticipated following up with a general development plan (GDP) at a later date. The GDP or zoning was never processed for this parcel since 2006.

Mrs. Owens explained that the new property owner recently contacted the City. He is interested in zoning the property and immediately moving forward with construction of a main tenant, a 140 room hotel. Additional uses are anticipated for the property and are planned to be developed after the hotel. Since there has not been a zoning designation on this property for over a decade, City staff is suggesting to move forward with a city-initiated zoning of this property to General Commercial (CG). This zoning district is compatible with the parcel's existing future land use map designation, and is also consistent with the surrounding area which is all currently zoned either CG, or Heavy Commercial and Light Industrial (CHI).

Motion: Commissioner Davis moved, Commissioner Varnadore seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to direct staff to draft a City-initiated zoning of the subject property to CG, General Commercial.

7. SANCTUARY COVE REQUEST FOR ONE YEAR PERFORMANCE BOND EXTENSION

Mr. Freeman reminded the Commission that in 2011 Sanctuary Cove's final plat was approved. There were several improvements that the developer was required to complete as part of the GDP. To date, there are certain improvements that are still outstanding (see the attached letter from the engineer). The developer is requesting that the City grant a one-year extension equal to 130% of the cost of the outstanding improvements totaling approximately \$1.1 million.

Motion: Commissioner Williams moved, Commissioner Davis seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the extension of the Sanctuary Cove Performance Bond for one year ending 3/23/19 in the amount of \$1,124,500 upon receipt of fully executed documents.

Mayor Bryant recessed the City Commission meeting at 7:38 p.m. to open the April 2, 2018 CRA Board meeting.

Mayor Bryant reconvened the City Commission meeting at 7:54 p.m.

8. TRAFFIC UPDATE

Nothing new to report.

9. NOISE

Nothing new to report.

10. PALMETTO POOL UPDATE

Mr. Burton stated that the County had a pre-request for proposal (RFP) meeting with more to take place over the next few months. A copy of the RFP has been distributed to the Commission. Within the document, it has a price of \$3 million as a maximum cost amount for the building of the pool. Mr. Burton indicated that the specifications in the RFP are for a competitive sized swimming pool and a second swimming pool with walk-in access. There is mention of incorporating improvements to the splash park that is already existing at Lincoln Park.

Several Commissioners had questions so Mr. Burton asked for consensus to have he or the Mayor ask for Manatee County staff to come to an upcoming Commission meeting to provide an update; the Commission agreed.

11. DEPARTMENT HEADS' COMMENTS

Mr. Burton—the RFP opening for the VFW roof is scheduled to occur this week.

Mr. Burton has been in conversations with the Southwest Florida Water Management District regarding a grant for the revitalization of Connor Park. He indicated that the University of South Florida is going to add an educational component to the Park. He is meeting with Leo Mills to survey the Park and a conceptual will be brought forward before any construction occurs.

Chief Tyler—indicated there were no issues at the Seafood Festival event.

In regards to the abandoned boat issue, the package has been completed on the sunk boat off of Riverside Park East. He is exploring the options for fund from the State for removal of this boat. The owner of the other sunk boat has been identified and has indicated that he will be working on repairs to the boat.

12. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor attended the Children's Parade this past Friday, and commented on how well attended it was.

She informed the Commission that she was approached by a non-resident of the City who would like to annex in to receive sewer hook-up. She will be meeting with Manatee County Commissioners, individually, to discuss this issue.

13. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Williams—questioned the cost of the CRA to move from their existing establishment to the new location. Mr. Burton indicated that his staff is currently working on obtaining quotes from various moving companies to help with the bigger items like office furniture. The City's IT Department will be working on the price of extending the cable from the existing CRA office to the new location.

Mr. Williams commented on the lack of material presented at time of the CRA agenda publication and asked that in the future the items for the agenda are given to the clerk in a timely manner.

Commissioner Davis—enjoyed the Seafood Festival and commented on how well it was attended.

Commissioner Smith—commented on the Seafood Festival stating the he enjoyed the event overall.

Commissioner Cornwell—hoped everyone had a Happy Easter and enjoyed their Spring Break last week.

Mayor Bryant informed the Commission that she was recently contacted by Elliot Falcione, Convention Center, who informed her of the date of the 2019 Manatee River Regatta; it is planned for February 9, 2019. Mayor has reached out to Wim at the Palmetto Bed and Breakfast to inform them of the date well in advance.

Mayor Bryant adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes approved: April 16, 2018

James R. Freeman

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