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

Staff and Others Present:
James R. Freeman, City Clerk
Michele Hall, Attorney
Chief Garry Lowe
Chris Lukowiak, Public Works Director
Diane Ponder, Deputy Clerk-Administration

Mayor Bustle called the meeting to order at 4:06 pm, followed by a moment of silence for overseas military personnel and the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: Ms. Varnadore moved, Mrs. Lancaster seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the March 19, 2007 agenda.

2. DISCUSSION: BOAT DOCK ORDINANCE

Mayor Bustle informed Commission the topic had a discussion time certain limit of one hour.

Mayor Bustle thanked the Boat Dock Committee for assisting in the development of the draft ordinance. He stated the Committee's recommendations included in the draft ordinance would be considered by Commission without Committee comment.

Attorney Hall informed Commission that because the draft is a working document, she has not reviewed the language. Commission began the review, page-by-page, with Ms. Hall suggesting amendments to points of discussion.

Commission will continue the review of the draft ordinance at the April 2, 2007 workshop meeting, beginning with page nine.

3. ROYAL PALM CAR WASH

Mr. Lukowiak informed Commission the City was asked to secure a 14' wide right-of-way to extend Canal Road when the signalization is installed. The right-of-way will allow for the installation of City infrastructure and will align Canal Road with the entrance into Sanctuary Cove. The property owner was willing to comply with the City's request, but the site plan, which had received DRC approval, had to be reconfigured, resulting in additional legal and engineering expenses, and lost time. As a result of that cooperation, the developer is requesting transportation and utility impact fee credits amounting to approximately $46,000, represented by $35,386 for the real estate; $5,113 for engineering expenses; and $5,355 for legal representation.

Mr. Lukowiak reiterated this is the City's only chance to secure the needed right-of-way. Mayor Bustle also confirmed the developer has approval for the project and is not required to grant the dedication of the land.

Attorney Hall discussed the fact the execution of the agreement does not guarantee the impact fee credits, only the City Commission may award the impact fee credits under separate
agreement. She also confirmed the current impact fee amount will be applicable until the expiration date of March 31, 2009. Attorney Hall discussed the amendments to the agreement that will be made to ensure only the City Commission may award any impact fee credits.

Commission discussed the topic, agreeing to the need for the right-of-way. Some Commissioners voiced concern with the process, stating the impact to the budget was not known i.e., were the impact fees for the project allocated to other approved CIP projects. Mr. Freeman was instructed to determine if the project’s impact fees had been considered in the budget and, if so, would the credits have an adverse effect on the approved CIP projects.

Commission agreed to move the topic forward to the 7:00 agenda.

4. DISCUSSION: NUISANCE ABATEMENT ORDINANCE
Attorney Hall stated the proposed ordinance would allow the City to recover any nuisance abatement expenses via a special assessment on the property tax rolls. It will also allow for a more expedient process when dealing with nuisances vs. the Code Enforcement Board process.

During the review of the ordinance, Commission made one change to the last sentence in Sec. 16-29 (c), by substituting “may” rather than shall.

The ordinance will be brought forward at the April 2, 2007 meeting for first reading and advertising approval.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Minutes approved: April 2, 2007

James R. Freeman
City Clerk