

Palmetto City Commission
September 3, 2008 5:00 PM

Elected Officials Present:

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

Elected Officials Absent:

Mary Lancaster, Commissioner

Staff and Others Present:

James R. Freeman, City Clerk
Chief Garry Lowe
Chris Lukowiak, Public Works Director
Tanya Lukowiak, CRA Executive Director
Bob Schmitt, Planning Supervisor/Zoning Administrator
Diane Ponder, Deputy Clerk-Administration

Mayor Bustle called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm, followed by a moment of silence for overseas personnel and the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: Mr. Williams moved, Ms. Varnadore seconded and motion carried 4-0 to approve the September 3, 2008 5:00 agenda.

2. DISCUSSION: FY2009 BUDGET

Commission made the following amendments to the proposed FY2009 budget:

CRA

Engineering was reduced by \$2,000
Promotional Advertising was reduced by \$5,000
Operating Expenses was reduced by \$2,500
Fairs & Festivals was reduced by \$2,500

City Clerk

\$2,000 identified as a Fairs & Festivals line item was deleted

Mayor and Commission

Office Supplies was reduced by \$500
Non-capitalized Equipment was reduced by \$500

IT Department

Office supplies reduced by \$1,500
Discussion was held on Commissioners being provided laptop computers. As a result, three desktop and one laptop were transferred to open a line item to fund the purchase in the future.

PW

Office Supplies reduced by \$4,000
Small Tools was reduced by \$2,800 (one traffic counter)

Planning

Engineering was reduced by \$5,000

Fleet Maintenance

Small Tools was reduced by \$1,500 (scanner cards)

Water

Repairs & Maintenance was reduced by \$5,000

Sewer

Repairs & Maintenance was reduced by \$5,000

Staff was directed to properly identify the Parks Supervisor that is now funded by the CRA.

Discussion occurred on the backflow/telemetry meters. Ms. Simpson confirmed the telemetry meters are being purchased from the CIP; she will research the possible removal of the item from the CIP and report back to Commission concerning this line item. Commission concurred with the removal of \$5,000 from the Improvements not Building account that reflects the backflow preventer line item.

Mr. Freeman confirmed there is no new debt service in the CIP; Mr. Lukowiak will prioritize the projects for the upcoming year.

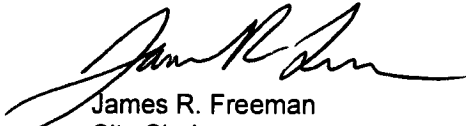
Commission instructed that the proposed tentative millage and budget for adoption on September 8, 2008 should be documented at 4.6662 mills.

Mr. Freeman reviewed discussed items that are proposed for the September 8, 2008 7:00 agenda. It was consensus of Commission to move the Investment Policy and irrigation well topics to the September 22, 2008.

Mayor Bustle confirmed the Terra Ceia CDD letter is prepared and will be mailed tomorrow.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Minutes approved: September 22, 2008



James R. Freeman
City Clerk