

Palmetto City Commission
September 8, 2008 4:00 PM

Elected Officials Present:

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

Staff and Others Present:

James R. Freeman, City Clerk
Michele Hall, Attorney
Chief Garry Lowe
Chris Lukowiak, Public Works Director
Tanya Lukowiak, CRA Executive Director
Bob Schmitt, Planning Supervisor/Zoning Administrator
Diane Ponder, Deputy Clerk-Administration
Mike Pendley, Manatee School Board

Mayor Bustle called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm, followed by a moment of silence for overseas military personnel and the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: Mrs. Lancaster moved, Mr. Williams seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the September 8, 2008 4:00 pm agenda.

2. DISCUSSION: PALMETTO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RESOLUTION

Mr. Lukowiak and Commission held a detailed discussion on topics relating to the City's continued role in facilitating the development of a new Palmetto Elementary at 1600 10th St. W. The following topics were

- Manatee Fruit Company has identified the property for the Little League complex; donated acreage decreased from 11+/- to 7+/- acres
- Impact fees that will be credited to Manatee Fruit Company have decreased accordingly to the lesser amount of donated land (Total projected at \$1,864,375)
- Additional language for the realignment of 23rd Street
- Possible additional responsibilities by Manatee County (The preferred location of the donated acreage will call for Manatee County to give up 3+/- acres.)
- Total projected revenue of \$1,035,200 from the purchase of property by the School Board, Boys & Girls Club and Just for Girls
- Total projected construction cost of \$1,528,000 for the complex and realignment of 23rd Street
- FRDAP Grant of \$400,000 (Conversation with FRDAP indicates this type of project ranks very high in their scoring process.)
- Possible corporate sponsorship for the projected \$92,000 delta
- Intersection improvements at 10th Ave. & 10th St. and 14th Ave. & 10th St. (Add Manatee County as having some responsibility for the construction cost.)
- Operation and maintenance responsibility of a new Little League complex

Commission amended proposed Resolution No. 08-27 as follows:

Added Manatee County as an involved party in negotiations and execution of agreements in the appropriate WHEREAS clauses.
Section 2.

#5: Add language stating the City believes that constructing the complex within Blackstone Park is the best location; separate the paragraph into bullet points, putting what the City will consider if an alternate location is chosen; replace "agrees to" with may; delete mention of impact fee credit amount;

#6 Combine into #5.

#9 Change agrees to may in the first sentence; amend sentence #2 to reflect that the City will be responsible only if the land is accepted from Manatee Fruit Company; language to reflect that the City will work with the Little League, including procurement of grants, to cover costs they will assume in the operation and maintenance of the complex

#10 Merge into #9


#13 Change will to may; add language that it is the City's understanding that the existing site will be used for a school in the future;

#15 Add language that Manatee Fruit Company will convey an equal amount of land back to the School Board

#18 Add two bullets that convey the responsibility for O&M for the fields will be the responsibility of Manatee County and/or the Little League; any excess funding for construction of the rights-of-way on 10th and 14th Avenue over grants funds will be the responsibility of Manatee County

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Minutes approved: Corrected September 22, 2008 (Correction in bold)



James R. Freeman
City Clerk