

Palmetto City Commission
March 10, 2009 5:00 p.m.

Elected Officials Present:

Shirley Bryant, Mayor
Brian Williams, Vice Mayor
Tamara Cornwell, Commissioner
Mary Lancaster, Commissioner
Tambra Varnadore, Commissioner (entered at 5:30 pm)
Alan Zirkelbach, Commissioner

Staff Present:

James R. Freeman, City Clerk
Karen Simpson, Deputy Clerk-Finance
Allen Tusing, Public Works Director
Frank Woodard, Deputy Director of Project Management & Engineering
Diane Ponder, Deputy Clerk-Administration

Mayor Bryant called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

1. 2009 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP) REVIEW

Before beginning the 2009 CIP discussion, Mr. Tusing displayed the planned traffic turn movements for the 10th Street and 10th Avenue and the 10th Street and 14th Avenue projects.

Mr. Tusing discussed the proposed 2009 Capital Improvement Plan. Changes noted from the original presentation were the inclusion of the paving of the Green Bridge Fishing Pier (with Commission consensus) and the deletion of the entire paving scope for Haben Boulevard.

During the discussion, Commission requested the following information from staff:

- Updated map of the reclaimed water system
- Historic Park proposed projects
- Growth rate from 2000-2006
- List of encumbered projects
- Revision of the ADA compliance projects
- Impact of Riviera Dunes on the wastewater treatment plant and identify any portion of the proposed projects at the plant that may qualify for funding by the CRA

Staff was instructed to ensure that appropriate personnel are aware of Commission Policy 05-05, Information Distribution.

Mrs. Simpson confirmed that including the loan proceeds and Jackson Park, the City has approximately \$2 million available to spend this year. **Commissioner Varnadore commented on the fact that the available \$2 million will have to last for several years.** Mr. Tusing and Mr. Freeman agreed that the City will capture as much of the stimulus dollars available as possible this year. This will allow the City funds to be used further into the future.

Mr. Tusing stated he has received word that stimulus funding of \$800,000 will be awarded for the realignment of 23rd Street (school relocation project). Mayor Bryant stated Commission must determine if the City wishes reimbursement across from the current school or wishes to retain the building. It was consensus to be reimbursed. Mayor Bryant also confirmed that she and staff are attempting to retain a pool site (the move of the ballfields negated the proposed pool) but there is

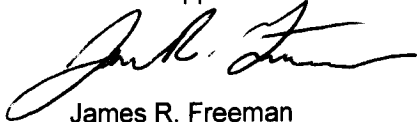
no guarantee. She stated a resolution is being drafted for all parties involved in the relocation project, which will be presented simultaneously for each entity's consideration.

Mr. Tusing requested that Commissioners contact him with their questions concerning the CIP.

Mayor Bryant suggested that because of the issues facing the Commission, and that an hour for a workshop is proving to be problematic, that the workshop meeting time be revised to 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm. Commissioners did not voice opposition.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Minutes approved: **Corrected March 23, 2009 (Amendment in bold type.)**



James R. Freeman
City Clerk