

**CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP MEETING
JANUARY 23, 2012
4:30 PM**

Elected Officials Present

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

Elected Officials Absent

Alan Zirkelbach, Commissioner-at-Large 1

Staff Present

Mark Barnebey, City Attorney
Jeff Burton, CRA Director
Jim Freeman, City Clerk
Allen Tusing, Public Works Director
Diane Ponder, Deputy Clerk-Administration

Mayor Bryant called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

1. DISCUSSION: Sutton Park renovations and proposed 6th Street and 7th Street roundabouts

Mr. Burton stated roundabouts were placed into the Sutton Park renovation plan as an idea. He also stated the plan as designed at this time does not include the actual structure at Sutton Park, it will be a future improvement. The roundabout is being proposed because of the possibility of MPO grant funding, which requires conceptual approval by the Commission.

Jon and Vicki Moore reviewed information of how roundabouts being proposed at Sutton Park can be successful.

Commission agreed to the conceptual plan of the proposed roundabouts at Sutton Park. Commission directed staff to ensure that communication is held with Manatee County and the Historic Commission regarding the acquisition of any additional property that will be necessary for the construction of the roundabouts. Staff was also instructed to research the donation of the Sutton Park property to ensure the City complies with any restrictions regarding the property's use.

Mr. Burton confirmed the grant will be written in-house and CRA will pay for the design phase that is not funded by the grant, if awarded.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes approved: February 6, 2012

James R. Freeman

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