

**CITY OF PALMETTO
CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP MEETING
November 18, 2013
4:30 PM**

Elected Officials Present:

Shirley Groover Bryant, Mayor
Tambra Varnadore, Vice Mayor, Commissioner, Ward 2—(Entered the meeting at 4:59 p.m.)
Tamara Cornwell, Commissioner-at-Large 2—(Entered the meeting at 4:42 p.m.)
Jonathan Davis, Commissioner-at-Large 1
Charles Smith, Commissioner, Ward 1
Brian Williams, Commissioner, Ward 3

Staff Present:

Mark Barnebey, City Attorney
Jeff Burton, CRA Director
Jim Freeman, City Clerk
Allen Tusing, Public Works Director
Amber Foley, Assistant City Clerk

Mayor Bryant called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Sharon Jones, Human Resources (HR) Director, introduced Lisa Byers who will be taking over Sharon's HR position. Sharon will be retiring at the end of this month after 21 years of service to the City.

Andy Hansen, Florida League of Cities, presented the City of Palmetto with an insurance reimbursement check of \$18,831.00. This is the sixth year in a row that the City has received a refund.

1. 2030 COMP PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Burton displayed a map from the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC) showing the Sea, Lake and Overland Surges from Hurricanes (SLOSH) model as defined by the State of Florida. This is the map he is requesting to use to determine the City's Coastal High Hazard Area (CHHA).

Mr. Burton noted the changes he has made to the document since the last workshop meeting. Those changes are:

- Added a definition for Segway
- Added term multimodal
- Added items for downtown incentives regarding the CRA

2. 5 YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP) DISCUSSION

Mr. Tusing discussed the draft CIP plan as presented. The red lined numbers shown in the Utility Improvements section will balance out after the utility rate study is implemented.

Commissioner Varnadore discussed the 13th Street Drainage Project from 25th Avenue West to 28th Avenue West. The CIP indicates that this project is currently unfunded/partially funded. Mr. Freeman stated that the City is still working on where to get funding for that project. He reminded Commission that this is a working draft copy and asked that the priorities and projects be looked at tonight with funding to be discussed at the next meeting. Commissioner Varnadore stated that she would like to see 8th and 9th Street West reclaim lines become a priority as well as the 13th Street drainage project from 25th Avenue West to 28th Avenue West.

Commissioner Williams questioned the funding for the Trakit Permitting System in FY2016. Mr. Tusing stated that, because of the new enterprise city-wide software upgrade, the funding for the Permitting System is no longer necessary; he will remove that from the CIP.

Discussion ensued regarding an assessment on the Police Department and Public Works buildings. Commissioner Cornwell questioned if the CRA could fund buildings for City employment in blighted areas. Commissioner Smith would like to see all government buildings located in one location. He opined a City

Center would be beneficial to both employees and residents. Commission asked that Mr. Tusing discuss funding with Mr. Burton.

In regard to stormwater dredging projects, Mr. Tusing explained that this particular dredging project and the project along 28th Avenue West are for dredging to be done along the canal. Tropic Isles has had some dredging work done and have submitted a request for reimbursement to the City for our portion related to the [stormwater outfall drain]. Commissioners Davis and Varnadore requested a copy of the paperwork submitted by Tropic Isles.

Mr. Freeman informed Commission that this item will be brought forward to the next workshop with the appropriate funding. It will also be on the 7:00 p.m. agenda for adoption.

3. PERSONNEL POLICY DISCUSSION

Due to time, this agenda item was not discussed. To be brought forward to the next meeting.

Mayor Bryant adjourned the meeting at 5:58 p.m.

Minutes approved: December 16, 2013

James R. Freeman

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City Clerk