

**CITY OF PALMETTO  
CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP MEETING  
October 15, 2018  
4:30 PM**

**ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Shirley Groover Bryant, Mayor  
Jonathan Davis, Vice Mayor, Commissioner-at-Large 1  
Tamara Cornwell, Commissioner-at-Large 2  
Harold Smith, Commissioner, Ward 1  
Tambra Varnadore, Commissioner, Ward 2—(Entered the meeting at 4:36 p.m.)  
Brian Williams, Commissioner Ward 3

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Mark Barnebey, City Attorney  
Jeff Burton, CRA Director  
Jim Freeman, City Clerk  
Scott Tyler, Chief of Police  
Allen Tusing, Public Works Director  
Amber LaRowe, Assistant City Clerk

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

**1. HALF CENT SALES TAX PROJECT LIST**

In January 2018, the Commission adopted Resolution 2018-03 that approved a Project List that will utilize half-cent sales tax funds. The Project List is to be reviewed annually so that the projects can be evolved over time. At the last Workshop meeting, a copy of the adopted Resolution and Project List was attached, along with an updated, amended Project List. The Project List that was presented at the last Workshop meeting has since been amended to what is attached today. This Resolution with the attached Project List is scheduled for the 7:00 p.m. meeting to for potential adoption.

The attached Resolution has the updated project list attached. The last column of the attached Project List shows the changes made since initial adoption in January. Staff asked for Commission feedback on the attached List.

Mr. Tusing informed Commission that the turn signal for east/west traffic at the intersection of 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 10<sup>th</sup> Street West was removed because it has already been completed.

Commission asked Mr. Tusing to provide a paving timeline to show when residents should expect for paving to be completed in the various locations as identified on the List.

Commissioner Varnadore discussed the need for a sign to be placed on 4<sup>th</sup> Street West at 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue that does not allow for a left hand turn lane onto 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. She is concerned with safety for patrons wanting to cross traffic in that direction. The consensus of the Commission was to place this topic on the 7:00 p.m. agenda for potential adoption.

Mr. Freeman identified the following changes that will be made to the Project List as attached:

1. THE SUTTON CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND WILL BE REDUCED FROM \$250,000 TO \$220,000
2. HYDRANT PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT IS INCREASED FROM \$100,000 TO \$130,000
3. HIDDEN LAKE TRAIL RESURFACING AND EXERCISE EQUIPMENT IS REDUCED FROM \$75,000 TO \$50,000

4. THE COST OF THE HISTORIC PARK ELEVATOR [COST SHARE WITH THE CRA] WAS ADDED TO THE RECREATIONAL BUILDINGS AND PLAYGROUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000

2. 834 RIVERSIDE DRIVE UPDATE

Mr. Burton reviewed the documents he prepared and presented at the Workshop on August 6<sup>th</sup>. He passed out two real estate broker handouts that are attached and made part of these minutes.

Discussion ensued and it was decided that the City is going to negotiate with one of the two real estate brokers and hope to agree on terms; if not, then negotiations will be had with the other broker. After agreed upon terms, then it will be brought back to the Board/Commission. At the next CRA Board meeting, the Board and staff will discuss their desires for this Property. CRA will bring in dinner and individual meetings will be had after the Workshop meeting on November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Bryant adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED: NOVEMBER 5, 2018

*James R. Freeman*

JAMES R. FREEMAN  
CITY CLERK