

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION  
FEBRUARY 26, 2018**

The meeting of the Winter Park City Commission was called to order by Mayor Steve Leary, at 3:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, 401 Park Avenue South, Winter Park, Florida. The invocation was provided by Building Director George Wiggins, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members present:**

Mayor Steve Leary  
Commissioner Pete Weldon  
Commissioner Greg Seidel  
Commissioner Sarah Sprinkel  
Commissioner Carolyn Cooper

**Also Present:**

City Manager Randy Knight  
City Clerk Cynthia Bonham  
City Attorney Dan Langley

**Approval of agenda**

**Motion made by Commissioner Sprinkel to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Cooper and carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

**Mayor's Report**

a. Winter Park High School Foundation check presentation

Vince Furey, President, Winter Park High School Foundation, presented the City with a \$25,000 check from the 2017 proceeds of the Restore the Roar event to go toward continued improvements at Showalter Field.

**City Manager's Report**

City Manager Knight had no report. Commissioner Cooper asked about the after action report for IRMA. City Manager commented that it will be provided.

Commissioner Seidel asked about the Orange Avenue speed study issue. Public Works Director Troy Attaway stated an update will be provided at the next meeting.

**City Attorney's Report**

No report.

**Maitland Mayor MacDonald**

Mayor Dale McDonald spoke about the resolution under public hearings concerning Wymore Road where all three cities have worked together to support this.

### **Non-Action Items**

#### **a. Update – Community Paramedicine Program – Fire Rescue**

Fire Chief Jim White provided a PowerPoint presentation on the strategic plan 2016-2021; the direction previously provided by the Commission; the program enrollment; the services provided in the program; EMS versus fires statistics; the call volume from January-June 2017 to 911 for the six highest callers and the volume dropping from the start of the program by nearly 63%; and the vision to include partnering with the Winter Park Health Foundation. Chief White answered questions of the Commission.

#### **b. GIS Connectivity Map**

Tim Egan, Parks and Recreation Department, provided a PowerPoint presentation concerning the Connectivity Mapping Project (GIS based analysis of multi-modal transportation infrastructure and opportunities in Winter Park). The project is focusing on safe, convenient connections between neighborhoods, city parks and other popular destinations.

The presentation also included our comprehensive plan, our current connectivity map user controlled features, the existing layers and ones to be added, current bicycle connectivity, pedestrian connectivity, the varying needs and multiple perspectives by residents, level of service considerations related to pedestrian/bicycle trails and bicycling, additional considerations related to sidewalks and pedestrian mobility, opportunities to include large scale dedicated trails and neighborhood connectors, and digital opportunities. Mr. Egan and Mr. Margraf answered questions of the Commission. There was a consensus to schedule a work session in the next two months to discuss this further.

### **Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve the minutes of February 12, 2018.
- b. Approve the following solicitation award and authorize the execution of a purchase order:
  1. Anixter, Inc. – IFB-6-2018, Cooper Outdoor LED Lighting; to be installed on the Denning Drive Streetscape; \$85,179.

**Motion made by Commissioner Cooper to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Commissioner Seidel.** There were no public comments. **The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

### **Action Items Requiring Discussion**

- a. Request of Bebe's/Liz Fashion Experience, 311 S. Park Avenue to host a fashion runway show with street closure.

City Manager Knight commented that this is an appeal of a staff decision to deny a special event that requires the closure of a portion of Park Avenue.

Liz Shepherd, Bebe's and Liz Fashion Experience, 311 S. Park Avenue, explained her appeal/request for her fashion show and the closure of a portion of Park Avenue for the event. She spoke about the need to be more creative on Park Avenue to support the current merchants and to keep them there. She spoke about other events she has held and that they wish to have a runway show prior to their lunch that entails closing a small portion of the south end of Park Avenue as they have done in the past and this event is by invitation only.

City Manager Knight explained the reason for their denial because of over the years the merchants prefer a limited number of street closures so staff has put a limit on the approvals for new closures of Park Avenue. There was discussion that the road would be closed to allow enough time to set up, have the show, and take down the 60' runway. Commissioner Seidel suggested using New England Avenue. Ms. Shepherd stated the customers do not want to come on a side street. She addressed merchants on the south end of Park Avenue that want to be a part of this event.

Commissioner Weldon asked if the Park Avenue Merchant's Association has endorsed this event. Ms. Shepherd stated she did not ask them because this is a charity event and not a whole Merchant's Association event. Commissioner Weldon expressed concerns that without a larger public interest from the Park Avenue businesses, he struggled with granting an exception that will become a precedent with other merchants and without the PAAA support. He explained that all of the Commissioners want Park Avenue to work for everyone; however, in the absence of any broad base support for this program he has to deny it.

**Motion made by Commissioner Weldon to deny the request, seconded by Mayor Leary.**

**Motion made by Commissioner Seidel to table this item to allow them time to come back with a more broad base support and delay until the next Commission meeting.** Mayor Leary explained the challenge of this setting a precedent if approved. **The motion failed for lack of a second.**

There were no public comments made.



**Upon a roll call vote to deny the request, Mayor Leary and Commissioners Sprinkel, Cooper and Weldon voted yes. Commissioner Seidel voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.**

**Public Hearings:**

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 2205-18: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENT TO FUND THE INSTALLATION OF STREET BRICK AND RELATED ACTIVITIES UPON A PORTION OF PANSY AVENUE GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE AND EXTENDING WESTERLY ABOUT 670 FEET; ESTABLISHING THE LIEN ASSOCIATED THEREWITH; ADOPTING AN ASSESSMENT ROLL; DIRECTING THAT THE ASSESSMENT ROLL BE CERTIFIED TO THE ORANGE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR; PROVIDING FOR COLLECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Langley read the resolution by title. Public Works Director Troy Attaway explained the residents on the east end of Pansy Avenue (eastern 670') approached the City and requested consideration of bricking Pansy Avenue (western portion is already bricked). He explained there was over 2/3 majority that voted in favor of the bricking. Commissioner Cooper explained phone calls she received regarding the poor condition of the existing bricks. Mr. Attaway explained they will be working to improve the existing portion. How the assessment amount was determined was discussed.

**Motion made by Commissioner Sprinkel to adopt the resolution; seconded by Commissioner Weldon.**

Derek Slasser, 1201 N. Pennsylvania Avenue (corner of Pennsylvania and Pansy Avenues), spoke against the bricking project and assessment that he believed should be equal and not based on linear footage.

Commissioner Weldon addressed the ballot sent that was clear that the assessment would be based on linear footage that passed the vote. He addressed options for consideration for assessing the various property owners. Commissioner Cooper spoke about the policy that should be reviewed.

Bud Kirk, Pansy Avenue, spoke in favor of the bricking.

**Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)**

Beth Hall, 516 Sylvan Drive, asked for consideration of whether the public notice provisions of our zoning code for written notice signs as currently implemented are working. She spoke about the request for building 18 townhomes on Aloma Avenue that only has one sign posted on one of the five lots for the project and concerns that residents may not see the one sign.

Deirdre Macnab, 1860 Summerland Avenue, League of Women Voters, Orange County, spoke about solar energy and launching 28 cooperatives around the state. She spoke about the savings to our citizens. She addressed the public information session at Rollins College taking place this week. She stated she wanted to speak with each Commissioner individually regarding getting their energy from clean removal energy.

- b. RESOLUTION NO. 2204-18: A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MAITLAND, FLORIDA AND THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE EXPANSION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY OWNED WYMORE ROAD; AND PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Langley read the resolution by title. City Manager Knight explained this request came from the Town of Eatonville and the City of Maitland who have already adopted the resolution. He stated a small portion of the road is in the Winter Park City limits north of Lee Road.

**Motion made by Commissioner Sprinkel to adopt the resolution; seconded by Commissioner Weldon.** Commissioner Seidel expressed his preference of conducting a study to determine where widening of the road would be beneficial. Maitland Mayor McDonald spoke at the beginning of the meeting on this resolution. There were no other public comments. **Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

- c. Request of the 717 North Capen Avenue LLC for subdivision or lot split approval to divide the property at 717 North Capen Avenue, zoned R-1A, into two single family building lots.

Planning Manager Jeff Briggs explained the request to split the property at 717 North Capen Avenue and the two required variances. He addressed the commendation of staff to deny the request based on the lot sizes in comparison to the majority of larger lots. He stated the Planning and Zoning Board looked at the alternatives for the property and realized if it is not split they can maximize the return on their investment and build a home twice as big as other homes in the neighborhood. Because of this and building two homes, each on a 50' lot would produce smaller homes, the P&Z recommended approval inclusive of the variances.



Frank Hamner, 1011 N. Wymore Road, Winter Park, addressed speaking with neighbors to obtain approvals for this request. He stated there were no objections and that the P&Z unanimously approved the request.

**Motion made by Commissioner Seidel to approve the request as recommended by the P&Z Board with the varied architecture, seconded by Commissioner Weldon.**

John Skolfield, 118 W. Comstock Avenue, spoke in favor of the lot split because of the proposed lot sizes.

Lurline Fletcher, 811 English Court, spoke in favor of the lots split because of building two single family homes on the lots.

**Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Leary and Commissioners Seidel, Sprinkel, Cooper and Weldon voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

- d. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA VACATING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF THE LOREN AVENUE RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM ELVIN AVENUE TO THE CITY LIMIT LINE, DEDICATED BY HOME ACRES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK "M", PAGE 97, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT A; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, RECORDING AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE First Reading

Attorney Langley read the ordinance by title. Public Works Director Troy Attaway explained the request received from the master developer of Ravaudage to vacate this portion of Loren Avenue. He stated the Loren Avenue portion south of this has already been vacated as well as Elvin Avenue west of this portion.

**Motion made by Commissioner Sprinkel to accept the ordinance on first reading; seconded by Commissioner Cooper. There were no public comments. Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

- e. RESOLUTION NO. 2203-18: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT AND REZONING FOR A RACETRAC GAS STATION DEVELOPMENT AT 2300 S. SEMORAN BOULEVARD IN ORANGE COUNTY

Attorney Langley read the resolution by title.

Planning Manager Jeff Briggs addressed the direction from the last Commission meeting to provide this resolution to forward to Orange County. He spoke about it not being compatible with having a gas station next to a golf course and the City's Golfside neighborhood.

**Motion made by Commissioner Sprinkel to adopt the resolution; seconded by Commissioner Cooper.**

The following spoke in favor of adopting the resolution:

Scott Clark, Clark & Albaugh, LLP, representing the Winter Pines Golf Club  
Thomas Yost, 1156 Fairway Drive

**Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Leary and Commissioners Seidel, Sprinkel, Cooper and Weldon voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

**City Commission Reports:**

Commissioner Seidel – Spoke about the tragedy at the Parkland High School and the use of guns that kill or injure people. He addressed the need for reasonable laws to be put into place so they are effective.

Commissioner Sprinkel – Spoke about her opposition to educators having guns in schools and that she believed the gun issue will be fixed. Addressed her visit to the JFS Counseling Center on Lee Road and the upcoming St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Commissioner Cooper – Spoke about guns and the need to only put guns in the hands of mentally competent and trained people. She stated that the American people need to put their family first and stop entertaining their children with violence. Commissioner Cooper also spoke about street bricking and provided excerpts from the policy for review before they have their work session to clarify it.


Commissioner Weldon – Spoke about being proud of our City and being a part of it.

Mayor Leary – Spoke about the gun issue and should expect our leaders to figure this out. Mayor Leary thanked Ronnie Moore for throwing out the first pitch at the opening of the Babe Ruth season.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

  
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Mayor Steve Leary

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk Cynthia S. Bonham, MMC