

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
OCTOBER 8, 2018**

Mayor Steve Leary called the meeting of the Winter Park City Commission to order at 3:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, 401 Park Avenue South, Winter Park, Florida. The invocation was provided by Reverend Shawn Garvey, First Congregational Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present:

Mayor Steve Leary
Commissioner Greg Seidel
Commissioner Sarah Sprinkel
Commissioner Carolyn Cooper (arrived 3:35)
Commissioner Pete Weldon

Also Present:

City Manager Randy Knight
City Attorney Kurt Ardaman
City Clerk Cynthia Bonham

Approval of agenda

Motion made by Commissioner Sprinkel to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Weldon and carried with a 4-0 vote with Commissioner Cooper being absent.

Mayor's Report

No report.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Knight introduced the new Planning Director Bronce Stephenson. Mr. Knight announced the October 10 community meeting regarding the Fairbanks Avenue undergrounding scheduled from 4:30-6:30. He also announced the Duke Energy transmission work scheduled for October 18 at 3:00 a.m. that will cause a short outage.

City Attorney's Report

Attorney Ardaman provided an update regarding the buoys in our lakes. He stated they provided Mr. Wright their informational map with the reduced number of buoys to provide to the FWC. He stated this will then be taken after the FWC comments before the Lakes and Waterways Board for their recommendation to bring back to the Commission per the Commission's direction.

Non-Action Items

No items.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the September 24, 2018 Commission minutes.
- b. Approve the following purchases:
 1. Lytx, Inc. – FY19 DriveCam Program – Hardware & Subscriptions; \$83,880.16.
 2. Fishback Dominick – FY19 Attorney Services; not to exceed \$455,000.
- c. Approve the following HIDTA purchase orders:
 1. Purchase orders for specialized, confidential investigative services, as well as facility expenses; \$80,000, \$174,000 and \$102,000. Approve the following piggyback agreements:
- d. Approve the following contract items:
 1. A Budget Tree Service, Inc. – ITN-23-2018 – Vegetation Management Services; \$628,000.
 2. The Davey Tree Expert Co. – ITN-23-2018 – Vegetation Management Services; \$800,000.

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

Action Items Requiring Discussion

- a. Impact of amending Comprehensive Plan Policies prohibiting certain subdivision/lot splits

Planning Manager Jeff Briggs briefed the Commission on the comprehensive plan policies where certain actions are prohibited. The policies addressed were related to subdivisions for lots within the North Park Avenue neighborhood planning area to new lots with less than the required 75' width (85' width for corner lots); lots within Orwin Manor neighborhood to lots with less than the required 75' width (85' width for corner lots) where they are not prohibited for asking for a lot split but are prohibited for asking for lot splits with variances. Also affected are requests to prohibit lot splits on lakefront lots; and prohibiting any subdivisions or lot splits of estate lots one acre or greater within areas designated single family residential. He stated there are 19 homes affected in North Park Avenue neighborhood and 41 in Orwin Manor.

Mr. Briggs stated if you want to ask for a variance in either neighborhood or subdivide/split the property, the comprehensive plan has to be amended with an application fee of \$6,000 versus other neighborhoods have a \$500 application fee that applies because they do not have to amend the comprehensive plan. He spoke about the two lakefront lots that can ask for a split that meets the R-1AA zoning. He concluded it would benefit the property owners if the policy is changed allowing the homes to use the regular process versus the \$6,000 process.

Commissioner Weldon stated after receiving further information he is not prepared to go forward with this as there is no compelling reason to under the current set of circumstances.

Mayor Leary addressed the 62 properties being treated differently than the other residents and that this would not guarantee that lot splits will be easier but levels the playing field. He found it offensive that a small percentage of people would be charged \$6,000 to ask if they could have their property split.

Commissioner Cooper addressed her preference to use electronic notifications to communicate in that manner and to look at that cost. She also was in favor of continuing with the existing policies as currently set because of this being a reaction to the request of the residents.

Commissioner Sprinkel addressed concerns with treating these two areas differently from everyone else in the City. She commented that everyone should be treated the same.

Commissioner Seidel spoke about the Orwin Manor neighborhood and wanting to help save the character without making it difficult to redevelop. He stated the lot split is a way for someone to begin redeveloping and putting in homes where they do not have to do any conformity from an architectural perspective and only have to meet the land development code rules. He stated the neighborhood pushed hard for this because they wanted to preserve its character.

Mayor Leary stated this issue came up this evening because of the request of Ms. Black who had to pay the \$6,000 so staff was asked to provide information on other areas that are affected by this.

Commissioner Weldon added that his interest in not moving forward is based on a desire to better gain knowledge of lot splits and is not against considering this in a larger context of public discussion and more input from those who are seriously committed to the words in the comp plan today. He stated he would like to reassess the entire policy based upon the input from a larger set of residents before he would be willing to consider changing this.

No action was taken.

b. City Manager Annual Review

Mayor Leary commented that while working with Mr. Knight he has led the community through some of the toughest economic times, and appreciated all he has done. He addressed Mr. Knight's professionalism. He asked Mr. Knight to make sure the bench strength is there because of the many long term employees that will be moving forward in the future.

Commissioner Seidel provided positive comments regarding Mr. Knight's performance and spoke about being a proponent of giving a bonus instead of a salary increase. **Motion made by Commissioner Seidel to give the City Manager a 3% bonus for this year and keep his salary at the same rate. Motion failed for lack of a second.**

Commissioner Sprinkel provided positive comments regarding Mr. Knight's responsibilities and communication. She suggested a salary increase of 2.5%.

Commissioner Cooper commented about being appreciative with Mr. Knight's performance and that she wanted to know about everything going on.

Commissioner Weldon stated overall Mr. Knight does a very good job and that the staff he recruits is first class. **Motion made by Commissioner Weldon to increase Mr. Knight's salary by 3% per annum as his merit increase for the current fiscal year; seconded by Commissioner Sprinkel. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Seidel, Sprinkel, Cooper and Weldon voted yes. Mayor Leary voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.**

Public Hearings:

- a. Request of Field's Motorcars of Florida: conditional use approval to expand and renovate the existing auto showroom and service building by adding approximately 12,144 square feet on the property at 963 North Wymore Road, zoned C-3.

Planning Manager Jeff Briggs addressed the conditional use request and the positive recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Board. The applicant was available for questions.

Motion made by Commissioner Sprinkel to approve the conditional use request, seconded by Commissioner Weldon. No public comments were made. 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.

- B. RESOLUTION NO. 2210-18: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING 420 MELROSE AVENUE, WINTER PARK, FLORIDA AS A HISTORIC RESOURCE ON THE WINTER PARK REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

Attorney Ardaman read the resolution by title. City Architect Brooks Weiss spoke about the property and the Historical Preservation Board approval.

Motion made by Commissioner Seidel to adopt the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Sprinkel. No public comments were made. 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 comments made earlier that they are not treating everyone in the City equal as related to the issue of lot splits/subdivisions. He asked if noise walls will be installed on I-4 at the Field BMW site. Planning Manager Briggs clarified noise walls are only to protect residential; not commercial properties.

Commissioner Sprinkel – Spoke about attending the Peacock Ball and was very well attended. Commented that she wanted to highlight historic homes more when becoming a historic resource on our register. Addressed working with a group from Rollins of new professors and talking about the impact Rollins plays with the community.

Commissioner Cooper – Spoke about the upcoming art festival. She stated she appreciates receiving emails regarding lot splits.

Commissioner Weldon – No report.

Mayor Leary – Attended the opening of Maitland's new street.

Public comments (items not on the agenda):

Betsy Eckbert, Chamber of Commerce President, spoke about the upcoming Autumn Art Festival.

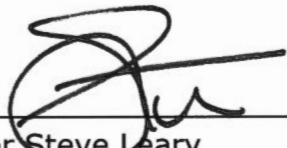
Beth Hall, 516 Sylvan Drive, addressed the formulation of new mixed use standards and using the Orange Avenue corridor as a test case for broader mixed use standards or possible use of an overlay. She asked that the City do whatever is necessary to have Demetree Global come before Winter Park with the same presentation shown at the Convention Center in August.

Stefania McGrath, 655 Palmer Avenue, spoke about safety concerns with traffic and pedestrians on Palmer Avenue.

Thomas Lamar, 1206 Nottingham Street, Orlando and property owner of 1117 Kenwood Avenue, Winter Park, addressed wanting to do an east/west lot split (north and south of Denning and Kenwood) and moving forward found out they cannot no longer split it on an east/west way but could on a north/south trajectory. He asked about the comprehensive plan and why it says 'prohibit' in certain areas when there is an opportunity in the comp plan for a variance because he is not allowed to split the

property east/west without paying the \$6,000 to ask for the split. After further comments, Planning staff will meet with Mr. Lamar.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.



Mayor Steve Leary

ATTEST:



City Clerk Cynthia S. Bonham, MMC