



City Commission Work Session Minutes

November 11, 2019 at 2:30 p.m.

City Hall, Commissioner Chambers
401 S. Park Avenue | Winter Park, Florida

Present

Commissioner Greg Seidel
Commissioner Sarah Sprinkel
Commissioner Carolyn Cooper
Commissioner Todd Weaver

City Manager Randy Knight
City Clerk Rene Cranis

Absent
Mayor Steve Leary

Meeting called to order

Vice-Mayor Greg Seidel called the work session of the Winter Park City Commission to order at 2:36 p.m.

Discussion on Electric Vehicle Ordinance

Kris Stenger explained the purpose of this meeting and guidance from the commission to proceed with the ordinance. He gave a presentation on the history and projections of electric vehicle operation, different levels of charging and charging requirements under the National Electric Code, and also the benefits of electric vehicles. He reviewed the history and terms of the Volkswagen Settlement. He stated Orange County is the sixth in list of Florida entities to receive funds.

He stated the city attempting to get infrastructure in residential areas for future electric vehicle charging. Commissioner Sprinkel expressed her concern about the impact to new single-family constructions and asked if similar requirements are imposed on single-family units. Director of Building and Permitting Services George Wiggins stated fire sprinklers are required in the downtown residential units.

Mr. Stenger provided information on other agencies with or have proposed electric vehicle ordinances. He reviewed the proposed ordinance and reviewed the feedback from city boards and resulting revisions. The goal is to bring this back to the Commission in June 2020. He explained potential changes at the national level which would have to be adopted at the state level.

Hollywood is the only city in the State of Florida that have passed an ordinance requiring for single-family homes. Vanessa -Miami Dade is working on an ordinance.

Mr. Stenger and Director of Electric Utility Dan D'Allesandro responded to questions regarding installation of breakers and chargers. Discussion followed on electrical requirements and technical requirements.

Consensus was to support the non-single-family portion of the ordinance but to have further review on minimalizing the impact to single-family unit, and also to look at incentives or rebates.

The work session adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Rene S. Cranis

City Clerk Rene S. Cranis, CMC