

**CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION**  
**June 29, 2015**

The work session was called to order by Mayor Steve Leary at 3:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, 401 Park Avenue South, Winter Park, Florida.

Members present:

Mayor Steve Leary  
Commissioner Greg Seidel  
Commissioner Sarah Sprinkel  
Commissioner Carolyn Cooper  
Commissioner Tom McMacken

Also present:

City Manager Randy Knight  
City Clerk Cynthia Bonham

Also present: Shawn Shaffer (via Skype)

This was a work session to discuss a new library. No public input was taken. Mayor Leary stated they accepted the report at the June 22 meeting but that did not mean they agreed at the meeting to the location.

City Manager Knight provided discussion points. Discussion ensued regarding possible locations (it was clarified that the Library Task Force recommended the north portion of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Park); if the Civic Center should be rebuilt as part of the project; if a parking structure should be considered to maximize the amount of green space or should it remain all surface parking; financing options; the timing of referendum to meet the March 15, 2016 election date; and what the next steps should be (what level of design/cost analysis is desired before going to the voters).

Each Commissioner expressed their preference regarding the MLK location and expressed the need to retain green space.

After discussion, it was determined that there was not clear consensus on exactly where on the north end of the park the library should be located or whether or not a parking structure should be included. There was also not a clear consensus on the level of design needed prior to a referendum or the timing of such referendum. A work session was scheduled on July 13 at 3:00 to hear from John Chrastka, a consultant that has assisted in numerous library referendums, to discuss his thoughts on timing and level of design.

The meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m.



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City Clerk Cynthia S. Bonham, MMC