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

The purpose of this work session was to consult with EveryLibrary’s founder John Chrastka (via Skype) regarding the timing of a referendum for the construction of a new library along with the March 15 Presidential Preference Primary or to conduct a standalone referendum. He was also asked to define the level of detail concerning design that he believed we needed to accompany the campaign.

Mr. Chrastka provided his background. After comments, he stated the Commission should put these issues to bed by Labor Day so they can meet the March 15 election deadline of providing ballot language no later than December 22 to the Supervisor of Elections Office. He believed the City should have a dollar amount, the mileage rate and precise location of where the library would be built by September. He suggested that campaigning and community outreach should begin at the beginning of the year.

Pertaining to the level of design, it was determined that the site selection along with schematics of front elevations should be included for community outreach in order to have a good outcome. He recommended against presenting to the voters more than one exact location because that would complicate matters.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

City Clerk Cynthia S. Bonham, MMC