REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION  
April 27, 2009

The meeting of the Winter Park City Commission was called to order by Mayor Kenneth Bradley at 3:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, 401 Park Avenue South, Winter Park, Florida.

The invocation was given by Reverend Gary Rideout, First United Methodist Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present:  
Mayor Kenneth Bradley  
Commissioner Phil Anderson  
Commissioner Beth Dillaha  
Commissioner Karen Diebel  
Commissioner Margie Bridges

Also present:  
City Manager Randy Knight (departed 6:55 pm)  
Assistant City Manager Michelle del Valle  
City Attorney Trippe Cheek  
City Clerk Cynthia Bonham  
Deputy City Clerk Nancy McLean

Citizen Comments:

Patty Heidrich, 1112 Schultz Avenue, addressed the citizens wanting SunRail and that Commissioners personal agendas should not supersede the will of the people. Ms. Heidrich also provided a letter from Maitland Councilman Philip Bonus regarding his personal views and observations.

Chris Heidrich, 1112 Schultz Avenue, spoke in favor of SunRail.

Peter Weldon, 700 Via Lombardy, asked the Commission to urge their elected officials in Tallahassee to approve SunRail.

Mayor's Report:

1. Mr. Kenneth Murrah presented Mayor Bradley with a $2,400 check for the purchase and planting of trees.

2. Mayor Bradley commented that the City celebrated Earth Day on April 22 and the 17th annual “Run for the Trees” on April 25 where they gave away approximately 2,100 trees between both events.

3. Mayor Bradley addressed the financial discussion as one of the major agenda items today and announced that there will be a work session on Fleet Peeples Park at 6:00 p.m. He wanted to have the Commission’s review and a public hearing after they choose a direction.

4. Mayor Bradley addressed the Swine Flu outbreak and the City having plans in place for any kind of emergency. He asked City Manager Knight to keep in contact with our local health officials to ensure that we are compliant and supportive if need be.

Consent Agenda:

a) Approve the minutes of 4/13/09. PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.

b) Approve the mutual aid agreement with the Orange County Sheriff’s Office. PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.
c) Confirmation of new Police Chief.

The following Consent Agenda items were pulled for discussion: a) and b).

**Motion made by Commissioner Diebel to approve Consent Agenda item c); seconded by Commissioner Bridges. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

City Manager Knight explained that there will be a swearing in ceremony at the Civic Center on May 1 at 2:00 p.m. for the new Police Chief, the Deputy Chief and the two Captains. He stated that there will also be a retirement party for Police Chief Doug Ball and Deputy Chief Bill McEachnie on May 15 at 2:00 p.m. but the venue is yet to be determined. Mayor Bradley thanked Chief Ball and Deputy McEachnie for their service to the City.

**Consent Agenda Item a): Approve the minutes of 4/13/09.**

Mayor Bradley stated that the minutes listed two Mayors in attendance and asked that it be corrected. He also asked that page 12, discussion of the SunRail hearing in Tallahassee, reflect that he spoke as a citizen in favor of that. **Motion made by Commissioner Diebel to approve the 4/13/09 minutes as amended; seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

**Consent Agenda Item b): Approve the mutual aid agreement with the Orange County Sheriff’s Office.**

Deputy Chief Bill McEachnie explained they have mutual aid agreements with the Orange County Sheriff’s Office, Seminole County Sheriff’s Office and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. He stated they also have a mutual aid agreement between all Orange County municipalities and that they are up for renewal. Deputy McEachnie answered questions.

**Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha to approve Consent Agenda item b); seconded by Commissioner Diebel. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

**Action Items Requiring Discussion:**

a) **March 2009 financial statements.**

Finance Director Wes Hamil explained the income statements that represented six (6) months of our fiscal year. He spoke about the four major City funds; the General Fund, Community Redevelopment Fund, Water and Sewer Fund, and Electric Services Fund. Mr. Hamil and Mr. Knight answered questions.

Commissioner Anderson stated that he would like to see the General Fund operating transfers in and out be itemized in the future. He expressed that this would give a better understanding of how those funds go back and forth between the enterprises. Mayor Bradley agreed that this would be helpful. Mr. Hamil stated they could create a supplemental schedule and break down the operating transfers in and out.

Commissioner Dillaha suggested adding two extra columns for the year to date budget and the Actual for the preceding year. Mayor Bradley agreed and stated his intention is to review this
report every second Commission meeting, specifically due to the current nationwide financial situation and wanted to ensure they are spending sufficient time looking at this report.

Mayor Bradley stated that the Commission will be receiving a report on the Electric Fund on May 11. He commented that this has been an area of specific focus in terms of their priorities and that they need to take the necessary actions at the next meeting since Fitch Ratings will be making a determination concerning their bond ratings on May 12.

City Manager Knight suggested meeting with the Commissioners individually to brief them on the details and to answer any questions they may have. He stated it is extremely important that they make a decision on May 11 because if no action is taken, they will most likely see a downgrade from Fitch Ratings on May 12. Mr. Knight added that a rate study went to the Utilities Advisory Board who made a recommendation which he will forward to the Commission. He stated a 2% rate adjustment will be effective July 1 and a 6% rate adjustment will be effective October 1, 2010.

Commissioner Dillaha preferred having a work session so they hear all the questions, receive the same information and still be prepared for the meeting to vote. Commissioner Bridges agreed that a work session would be beneficial and it is better to meet as a group.

There was a consensus to have a work session on May 1 from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. to review the current electric utility information. Mr. Knight answered further questions.

Motion made by Commissioner Diebel to approve the financial statements as presented; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

   b) General Fund finances.

City Manager Knight explained that the Commission approved a budget adjustment in January that covered a projected shortfall of $1,275,504; part of that adjustment was $300,000 in frozen positions. The Commission directed him to make permanent cuts instead of the temporary frozen positions. He stated that there was a list of the positions that have been eliminated or modified to accomplish that directive and were included in the budget adjustment. He stated that our current projections indicate that the City will be an additional $432,000 short of the original revenue projections and that the proposed budget adjustments covered this additional projected shortfall in revenue. Mr. Knight answered questions.

Commissioner Anderson suggested looking into taking $300,000 out of the stormwater capital budget to pay the operational costs which will reduce the General Fund expenditure. Mr. Knight stated that was a possibility. Mayor Bradley commented that capital spending is something that needs to be seriously looked at in the new budget. Both Mayor Bradley and Commissioner Diebel agreed with Commissioner Anderson's point.

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to approve the 2009 budget adjustments; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Knight added that there is also a list of broad budget goals for FY 2010. These include setting a target for the unreserved fund balance, a target combined cash balance for the general, water and sewer and electric funds, and a confirmation of the capital projects that were scheduled for 2010 in the Capital Improvement Plan that will come from General Fund.
Revenues. With these goals established, he will develop a balanced budget that accomplishes the goals and complies with the overall strategic plan.

Mr. Knight provided a copy of the fiscal year 2010 budget goals and commented that there was a revision to the one in their packet. Mayor Bradley suggested they listen to Mr. Knight, not take action, and give him guidance with putting together the budget. He stated that the auditors addressed the General Fund unreserved fund balance of 6.73%, the City has a policy to be at 30% and we need to start building towards that. He stated his current projection is that they will be around 8% at the end of fiscal year 2009 and would like to be in the 10% or 11% range by the end of fiscal year 2010.

Mayor Bradley suggested 10% or 10.5%; Commissioner Anderson recommended 10%. Mayor Bradley agreed and suggested they look at specific services being provided by the City. Commissioner Bridges commented that 10% represents a substantial increase compared to where we are now and was supportive of that; however, the gap between the 10% and 11% was substantial, and she would hesitate to cross the 10% threshold. She wanted to see our reserves revert back to having ample funding for those occasions when we need it and to improve our financial condition. She wanted to start at either 10% or 10.5% and determine how aggressively or non-aggressively they want to pursue that goal. Mayor Bradley agreed.

Mr. Knight recommended improving the unrestricted cash position of the General, Water and Sewer and Electric funds by 40%-50% which was achievable within those budgets. Mr. Knight and Mr. Hamil answered questions. Commissioner Anderson wanted to look at this in terms of the cash balance being adequate enough to cover a certain number of months of recurring expenditures. Mayor Bradley agreed and wanted to look at what their bond rating suggests their benchmark should be moving toward.

Mr. Knight also spoke about the four projects that were to be funded from the General Fund revenues. Mayor Bradley commented that since Mr. Knight is going to bring forward the capital projects early in the budget cycle then they can do that together at that time. Mr. Knight agreed.

c) ASTRO Project 25 upgrade.

City Manager Knight stated this item was discussed at a prior meeting and is a City wide radio system that includes public safety radios and that the Commission asked for a review of the financing options. Deputy Police Chief McEachnie explained that this recommendation completes a two year process preceding the upgrade recommendation. He stated Motorola will not support the current radio system after 2012 and the new system will function until 2024. This upgrade will also ensure interoperability with all other municipalities in Orange County. Deputy Chief McEachnie and Mr. Knight answered questions.

Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to approve a 5 year funding plan; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

d) City Attorney contract.

City Manager Knight explained that the City bid out the services of the City Attorney in 2005 with James E. Cheek, III, of Winderweedle, Haines, Ward and Woodman, P.A., being awarded the contract that began on February 1, 2006. The contract called for fixed fees for a period of two years and it was modified a year ago.
Attorney Cheek commented that under the Charter the City Attorney serves at the will of the Commission. He addressed that the prior Mayor raised the issue of having the City Attorney on one cycle in the budget year. However, he stated the Commission is not required to abide by that since that is not in the contract.

Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha to issue an RFP; seconded by Commissioner Bridges.

Mayor Bradley commented that this has nothing to do with Mr. Cheek or his services but to check out costs in our current environment. Commissioner Dillaha commented about how much we spend on legal expenses, it is a good opportunity to review their legal needs going forward and going to bid again may save money. She stated that the Winderweedle firm could possibly come back with something even better than what they have now.

City Manager Knight explained the last RFP process with the selection committee and answered questions. Commissioner Dillaha commented that it would be helpful to have input from the Commission regarding the criteria within the RFP and wanted to entertain having Commissioners on the RFP Committee who are interested or that they submit their own criteria.

Attorney Cheek commented that 85% of the work the City Attorney does is with people other than the Commissioners and they do not see the vast majority of legal work, documentation and advice that goes through the process. He suggested including the employees in the process who deal with them and believed they would be making a mistake if they did not. Mayor Bradley commented that Mr. Knight needs to be a key coordinating source for the Commission.

Commissioner Anderson commented that to review the contents of an RFP as a Commission would be important in deciding whether they should even send out an RFP. Mayor Bradley agreed. Commissioner Bridges suggested they have an analysis of what their needs and services have been in the past. She stated that input from the City Manager on what they need going forward might be helpful.

Upon comments, Commissioner Dillaha amended her motion to issue an RFP that is contingent upon the entire Commission providing some input to the RFP and seeing the final copy of what that looks like before it goes out; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Public Hearings:

a) ORDINANCE NO. 2766-09: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 58 “LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE” ARTICLE V, “ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REGULATIONS” DIVISION 8, “LANDSCAPE REGULATIONS” SO AS TO ADOPT NEW LANDSCAPING REGULATIONS. Second Reading

Attorney Cheek read both ordinances together. No public comments were made.

Building Director George Wiggins addressed the editorial change in Section 58-344. He added that the Commission also needs to approve the final wording regarding what is required for trees on one and two family dwelling properties. He recommended adoption.
Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. Commissioner Dillaha commented that she had a modification to Section 58-344(b), One and Two Family Dwellings for clarification purposes. Commissioner Dillaha read her changes. Attorney Cheek commented that in the overall scope of the ordinance this was not a substantive change.

Commissioner Dillaha amended her motion to approve the landscape ordinance with one modification to Section 58-344(b), to add to the second sentence “For lots less than a quarter acre in size, one shade tree is required, however, in situations where conditions exist which make it unfeasible to comply with the shade tree planting requirements, the City may make an exception and allow two understory trees in replacement for the one shade tree”; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Bradley and Commissioners Anderson, Dillaha, Diebel and Bridges voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

b) ORDINAENCE NO. 2767-09: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 58 "LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE" ARTICLE V, "ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REGULATIONS" DIVISION 9, "IRRIGATION REGULATIONS" SO AS TO ADOPT NEW IRRIGATION REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTING THE WATER CONSERVATION RULE FOR LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION OF THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AND WATER CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS ON PROPERTIES UNDERGOING NEW DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT. Second Reading

Attorney Cheek read the ordinance title. No public comments were made.

Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Bradley and Commissioners Anderson, Dillaha, Diebel and Bridges voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Wiggins thanked City staff and residents who worked on both of these ordinances, especially landscape architects Steven Pategas and Tom McMacken. Mayor Bradley asked Mr. Knight to send a letter on behalf of the Commission.

c) ORDINAENCE NO. 2768-09: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, GRANTING A RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND CONSTRUCTION SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FRANCHISE TO WASTE PRO OF FLORIDA, INC.; PROVIDING TERMS, CONDITIONS AND OTHER PROVISIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Second Reading

Attorney Cheek read the ordinance title.

David Lamm, 1250 Alexa Drive, expressed that the construction debris removal issue is in excess of two and a half to three times an ordinary dumpster pull. He was uncertain about where the calculations came from and commented that it has increasingly become an issue in a lot of municipalities.
City Manager Knight explained that these rates are the same as they were with Waste Management and that there is no increase in the commercial hauling part of the contract. Mr. Knight, Assistant City Manager Michelle del Valle and Mr. Wiggins answered questions.

Commissioner Bridges had concerns about costs for the average citizen that might have a small project and that she would be hesitant to endorse this. Mr. Knight stated that the City has done it this way since Waste Management got the contract in the early 90's. He explained that they eliminate the franchise fee entirely if they allow non-franchise companies to come in and they do not pay the 15% franchise fee which the competition automatically wins every bid at that point and eliminates that entire revenue source.

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Diebel. Ms. del Valle explained how a "Roll Off" is currently charged. Further discussion ensued regarding the contract. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Bradley and Commissioners Anderson, Dillaha and Diebel voted yes. Commissioner Bridges voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

d) ORDINANCE NO. 2769-09: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA RELATING TO BUILDINGS; AMENDING CHAPTER 22 TO INCORPORATE THE FLORIDA BUILDING CODE WITH CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS WHICH INCLUDE CERTAIN FIRE SPRINKLER REQUIREMENTS AS THE WINTER PARK BUILDING CODE; DECREASING THE MEMBERSHIP ON THE CONSTRUCTION BOARD, AND UPDATING THE PROPERTY AND BUILDING MAINTENANCE CODE WITH AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Second Reading

Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title. No public comments were made.

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Bradley and Commissioners Anderson, Dillaha, Diebel and Bridges voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

e) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2675-06 BY DECREASING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE PUBLIC ART ADVISORY BOARD FROM ELEVEN (11) MEMBERS TO SEVEN (7) MEMBERS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Second Reading

Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title.

Tom McMacken, 1821 Shiloh Lane, Chairman of the Public Art Advisory Board, asked the Commission to reconsider the reduction of the board from eleven (11) to seven (7) members. He stated that they also put together a strategic plan for their board and requested they table it until the Commission has a chance to review this. Commissioner Dillaha expressed interest in seeing their strategic plan. Mayor Bradley agreed.

Woody Woodall, 411 Shepherd Avenue, spoke in favor of keeping the Public Art Advisory Board at its current eleven (11) members.
Motion made by Commissioner Diebel to withdraw the ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. Commissioner Dillaha commented that she wanted to see the strategic plan and to vote on it another time. Mayor Bradley stated they need to ask for a strategic plan from many of their boards. Commissioner Bridges also wanted to review their strategic plan, but did not see it as contrary to withdrawing this ordinance. She wanted to take the recommendation of the Chairman of the Public Art Advisory Board and show support for leaving it at eleven (11) members. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Bradley and Commissioners Anderson, Dillaha, Diebel and Bridges voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-09: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD, AMENDING SECTION 1 OF RESOLUTION NO. 1951-06 TO DECREASE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD FROM THIRTEEN (13) MEMBERS AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE TO SEVEN (7) MEMBERS AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE; AMENDING SECTION 1 OF RESOLUTION NO. 1766-01 TO REDEFINE THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 2 OF RESOLUTION 1766-01 TO ADDRESS BOARD MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Cheek read the resolution by title. CRA Manager Sherry Gutch commented that this item was tabled at the last Commission meeting and in order to be consistent with other boards she amended it from five (5) members to seven (7) members.

Jane Hames, 126 Park Avenue South, Chairperson of Economic Development Advisory Board, expressed their support of seven (7) members and one (1) alternate. She also commented that they completed their targeted industry cluster analysis and they are going to put their strategic plan in place.

Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to adopt the resolution of seven (7) members plus one (1) alternate; seconded by Commissioner Diebel. Commissioner Dillaha commented that she wanted to see this board be more efficient, have a specific plan and be more hands-on in doing the work. Ms. Gutch explained that they need specific types of people with specific knowledge in certain industries in order to have creative ideas and believed the resolution addressed Commissioner Dillaha’s concern. Ms. Gutch answered questions. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Anderson, Dillaha, Diebel and Bridges voted yes. Mayor Bradley voted no. The motion carried with a vote of 4-1.

Mayor Bradley commented that since Mr. Knight has a personal obligation at 7:00 p.m., he would discuss the City Manager’s report next.
Non-Action Items:

a) City Manager's Report.

Mr. Knight commented that he had no specific report, but they were working on several things with the legislation that is being proposed in Tallahassee. He stated they were in the final week. Mayor Bradley commented that there are many bills they should be tracking closely.

Mayor Bradley announced they would recess the Commission meeting for the Fleet Peeples Park work session and finish the public hearings and new business at 7:00 p.m. City Manager Knight left the meeting. Assistant City Manager del Valle stepped in for the remainder of the meeting.

The Fleet Peeples Park work session began at this time. Commission meeting reconvened at 7:20 p.m.

f) RESOLUTION NO. 2020-09: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA SUPPORTING A WAYFINDING SIGN SYSTEM PLAN TO EFFICIENTLY AND SAFELY GUIDE MOTORISTS AND PEDESTRIANS TO KEY PUBLIC FACILITIES INCLUDING CIVIC, CULTURAL, VISITOR AND RECREATIONAL DESTINATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF WINTER PARK; APPROVING CRITERIA FOR DESTINATIONS SHOWN ON SUCH WAYFINDING SIGN SYSTEM PLAN; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Cheek read the resolution by title. No public comments were made. Assistant CRA Manager Peter Moore answered questions.

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to adopt the resolution; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Bradley and Commissioners Anderson, Dillaha, Diebel and Bridges voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

City Attorney's Report:

No report.

New Business (Public):

1. Joan Cason, 1915 Woodcrest Drive, wanted a comparison of the dollar value between the City Attorney's contract and an in-house City Attorney. She also asked about the waste disposal cans. Assistant City Manager del Valle commented that they have been swapping out the waste disposal cans since last week and that Waste Pro assured her everyone will receive their cans tomorrow.
New Business (City Commission)

1. Commissioner Dillaha commented that they received an email from Matt Falconer who is with the Orange County Taxpayer Budget Review Board who has been compiling budget information for over a year with a group of people. He has given a presentation to the City of Apopka and Maitland and requested 15 minutes on our agenda. Mayor Bradley suggested that Mr. Falconer’s group put something in writing for the Commission to review. Commissioner Diebel recommended the City Manager review that first. Mayor Bradley agreed and commented that this is also something that could come up during the budget process. Commissioner Dillaha stated that Mr. Falconer could do that.

2. Commissioner Dillaha asked for copies of the written orientation for new board members. Assistant City Manager del Valle commented that each of their staff liaisons have a deadline of May 1 and that she and Mr. Knight will review and forward them to the Commission before any board members receive them.

3. Commissioner Dillaha spoke about advisory boards and that sometimes they receive great recommendations for board appointments from current members. Mayor Bradley agreed and encouraged people to bring forward applications between now and April 30. He stated that he received suggestions from City staff and welcomes suggestions from Commissioners.

4. Commissioner Dillaha spoke about the advisory board subcommittee (consisting of herself, Commissioner Bridges and City Manager Knight) meeting to review board efficiencies and effectiveness and their discussion about reducing some of the boards or sunsetting others if they believed that they are not as pertinent today as they were in the past. She suggested that the Commission think about having a Fiscal Advisory Board and a Seniors Advisory Board.

Mayor Bradley suggested that the subcommittee meet with the City Manager and bring it back to the Commission. He commented that they need to determine what boards they need before they determine the number of members and to see if the boards are efficient and effective and contain board members who are effective in terms of attendance and representation. Commissioner Dillaha agreed and believed it was important to have the right people on these boards to bring expertise to the table.

Commissioner Anderson suggested the formation of a Financial Task Force to address the utility bond issue. Mayor Bradley commented that the utility bonds will be an agenda item on May 11.

Commissioner Dillaha stated that they can reconvene the subcommittee or talk as the Commission about the boards. Mayor Bradley commented that this was not in their 90 day plan and suggested that the subcommittee meet and bring back recommendations. Commissioner Diebel agreed with Commissioner Anderson’s idea of having a utility bond expertise task force or Mayor appointed committee. Mayor Bradley commented that he could appoint that if this would give them the direction they need, but he wants to ensure that they get what they want from such a process. He stated that they could discuss it during the meeting of May 11.

5. Commissioner Dillaha addressed the resolution adopted to abstain from using Blackberry’s during Commission meeting because all communication should be part of the record and also to ensure that they are giving all their attention to those who are speaking.
6. Commissioner Bridges agreed with reconvening the advisory board subcommittee. She commented that some of the boards are doing strategic planning but they did not finish their work by giving them direction as to what those strategic plans should be.

7. Commissioner Bridges suggested the Commission publicly state that they welcome ideas from people who want to see a particular store or restaurant on Park Avenue. She believed they could post this on the City's website and if there are any suggestions to let CRA Manager Sherry Gutch know. Commissioner Bridges asked for consideration of giving the CRA an opportunity to investigate other expanded opportunities for Park Avenue café dining. Mayor Bradley suggested she speak with Ms. Gutch about bringing that to the Park Avenue task force.

8. Commissioner Bridges asked about the status of the Nore Winter study. Mayor Bradley commented that this would be processed after the comprehensive plan is approved and they will go into the specific details of the zoning codes. Planning Director Jeff Briggs stated that they have a work session with P&Z on April 29 regarding the Land Development Code.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Mayor Kenneth W. Bradley

ATTEST:

Cynthia S. Bonham, City Clerk