

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
August 11, 2008

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

The invocation was given by Pastor Jim Book – First Christian Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present:

Mayor David Strong
Commissioner Margie Bridges
Commissioner Phil Anderson
Commissioner Beth Dillaha
Commissioner Karen Diebel

Also present:

City Manager Randy Knight
City Attorney Trippe Cheek
City Clerk Cynthia Bonham
Deputy City Clerk Nancy McLean

Citizen Budget Comments and Requests:

Peter Schreyer, Crealde School of Art, addressed the importance to fund not-for-profit organizations and encouraged the Commission not to eliminate anyone this year. Mr. Schreyer also spoke about the Crealde organization and what they provide.

Mayor's Report:

- a) Presentation by Janie Baker, Bridgebuilder's in appreciation for the City's support for higher education.

Janie Baker and students thanked the Commission for their continued support for higher education. Ms. Baker presented the City with a certificate for their appreciation and recognition for their contribution to the scholarship fund for the youth in the CRA area of Winter Park.

- b) Presentation of recent National City awards and local recognitions.

Communications Director Clarissa Howard and Assistant Communications Director Craig O'Neil presented an update of the recent National City awards and local City recognitions.

- c) Board appointment: Reconsideration of appointment to Ethics Board.

Mayor Strong announced that the Winter Park Fire Fighters Pension Trust Board elected Mike Clifford to serve as their fifth member trustee for a term of two years. **Motion made by Commissioner Diebel to approve the board appointment; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

Mayor Strong addressed his nomination and that they appointed an alternate to the Ethics Board at the last meeting but the issue was raised that it was not on the agenda and should not have been considered at that meeting. He asked for reconsideration of the Ethics Board alternate and resubmitted Pitt Warner as the nomination.

Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to reconsider; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Bridges, Anderson, and

Dillaha, and voted yes. Commissioners Diebel voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

Mayor Strong nominated Pitt Warner as the alternate to the Ethics Board. **Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to approve for discussion; seconded by Commissioner Diebel.** Commissioner Dillaha expressed that she contacted most of the Ethics Board applicants and asked to consider Sandra Pollock. Commissioner Bridges asked that Mayor Strong reconsider the specific request on the part of the Ethics Board that he appoint a member that represents diversity and possibly give other people a longer opportunity to seek appointment to the board.

Commissioner Anderson commented that he respects Mayor Strong's authority to make nominations. Commissioner Diebel supported Mayor Strong's nomination. Mayor Strong stated he considered the Chairman's request and initially intended to identify someone from the Westside but no one was forthcoming. He addressed the Chairman having difficulty with a quorum in the summer which is why he felt the need to proceed at the last meeting. Mayor Strong added that Mr. Warner represents diversity of opinion and would like to see him on the board. He commented that he would consider Ms. Pollock and anyone else who wants to serve on this board in the future however, his nomination remains the same.

Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Anderson, and Diebel voted yes. Commissioners Bridges and Dillaha voted no. The motion carried with a 3-2 vote.

Action Items:

- a) Approve the minutes of 7/14/08 and 7/28/08 (07/14/08 minutes were not amended per direction from the last meeting as they reflected what occurred during the meeting correctly).
- b) Approve the following:
 - 1) PR 138662 to Reynolds Inliner, LLC. for sanitary main lining rehab, piggy-backing Broward County Contract # N605200B1; \$590,346.00.
 - 2) Award of IFB-21-2008 Electric Meter Conversion/Retrofit/Installation to Pace Electric, Inc.
 - 3) Extension of services contract with Southeastern Surveying and Mapping Corp. for additional planning of electrical undergrounding projects. Funds will come from the Electrical Undergrounding Bonds Series 2007; \$28,860.00.
- c) Ratify the July 21, 2008 agreement with Fire Fighters' Local 1598. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.**
- d) Approve the Fiscal Year 2008/2009 Hannibal Square Community Land Trust, Inc. Operational Grant Agreement, allocating \$60,000 from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
- e) Endorse Art on the Green 2009-2010 and direct the Public Art Advisory Board to return to the Commission with the final exhibition plans. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.**
- f) Commuter rail stop project timeline and architectural style decision making process. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.**
- g) Medical Insurance. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.**

The following action items were pulled for discussion: Items c, e, f and g.

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to approve Action Items a, b1), b2), b3) and d; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Action Item c): Ratify the July 21, 2008 agreement with Fire Fighters' Local 1598.

City Manager Knight explained that this agreement is consistent with the discussion and the actions that the Commission made at the special meeting to hear both sides. Human Resources Director Anna Currie addressed this being the ratification of July 21, 2008 agreement and is for this current fiscal year.

Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha to ratify this July 21, 2008 agreement; seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote

Action Item e): Endorse Art on the Green 2009-2010 and direct the Public Art Advisory Board to return to the Commission with the final exhibition plans.

Tom McMacken, 1821 Shiloh Lane, Chairman of the Public Art Advisory Board, spoke about their next exhibition being at Lake Island Park. He mentioned that the Commission was provided a package regarding the artwork being proposed and they hired curator Suzanne Delehanty. Mr. McMacken added they met with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and received their approval to proceed. He also expressed that they are currently in the fund raising process of this project and these will all be private donations like Art on the Green in Central Park. He asked for the Commission's approval to proceed and answered questions.

Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to endorse Art on the Green 2009-2010 and direct the Public Art Advisory Board to return to the Commission with the final exhibition plans; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Action Item f): Commuter rail stop project timeline and architectural style decision making process.

Assistant Public Works Director Don Marcotte explained that on May 27, 2008 the City Commission accepted the public input summary provided by staff and appointed a sub-committee to discuss the design of the City's commuter rail stop. The sub-committee consisting of Commissioners Anderson and Dillaha met on June 2, 2008 and compiled a list of questions in order to review the status of the commuter rail project in general. Staff provided responses to these questions based on available data, the commuter rail task force final report, the executed interlocal agreement, and discussions with the FDOT. He provided the Commission handouts on responses from FDOT and spoke about the timeline of the project which was included on their packet.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) representative Tawney Olore provided a power point presentation regarding commuter rail. She spoke about the commuter rail transit overview; the operating plan; project update on Federal transit, procurement activities, CSX transportation; Amtrak; right-of-way acquisition; station design and location; Winter Park station concepts; and what's next such as secure full funding grant agreement from Federal transit administration, continue advancing station design concepts and continue procurement activities. She also spoke about the Winter Park station timetable. Ms. Olore answered Commission questions.

Commissioner Dillaha voiced concerns about obligating money without knowing if they have to repay it if we opt out and the insurance portion that has not been worked out at the State level. She wondered about the ramifications if that does not go to the next Legislative session next spring. Commissioner Bridges shared Commissioner Dillaha's concern about the City obligating themselves moving forward (even with the canopy design) without the assurance that this is moving forward. Ms. Olore expressed that the interlocal agreements that the Commission approved remains fully in place today. Commissioner Bridges asked if FDOT wants to know their exact design as to what they want the canopies to look like by September 15, 2008. City Manager Knight stated they want to know whether it is Mediterranean or Craftsman style. Commissioner Anderson clarified that FDOT currently needs a conceptual design of what the City's station and canopy will look like and then take it from a concept to a schematic/design development style. Ms. Olore agreed and stated that they did that in their 60% plans; will submit that to the Commission on October 7, 2008 and the Commission will give their feedback and changes (on design elements) by November 4, 2008.

City Manager Knight explained that they recommend using three local architects to volunteer to help the City Commission choose whether they want the Mediterranean or Craftsman style of design. He stated that the three architects agreed and after Commission approval, the architects will return with their joint recommendation on a style that FDOT will work with and will return with a formalized design for Commission comments and approvals.

Commissioner Dillaha addressed the \$3.75 million in Federal funds. Ms. Olore expressed that a portion comes from that money but the majority is associated with construction. City Manager Knight explained the signed agreement concerning opting out. Attorney Cheek spoke about his recollection and understanding of this.

Mayor Strong commented that they are currently doing long term budgeting and as part of that budget they are assuming they will repay \$3-\$3.5 million if they choose to opt out. He stated they are going to budget a reserve for that time period because it appears that the operating costs that they are responsible for are significant now and have grown significantly since they started this process a few years ago. He asked if she had an updated estimated cost of operations for this system. Ms. Olore expressed that they do not but they will be doing that as part of final design looking at other funding sources that they would get as being a part of the commuter rail system.

Mayor Strong explained that as a City they need to set aside enough money in the next ten years to opt out of the agreement if they choose to. He asked that they be continually updated on the estimated costs that the City will need to budget every year in the absence of a dedicated funding source. Ms. Olore agreed and commented that they will share any additional information they have as they are updated.

Mayor Strong asked if there was anything that the City needs to spend directly. Engineer Don Marcotte explained that FDOT will move forward with the design and the City may incur some percentage of that cost as an obligation to them. Ms. Olore stated they should know everything by the next Legislative session. Commissioner Anderson commented that there are some questions that have a bearing on the budget that they still need to get from FDOT. Mr. Knight agreed.

Mayor Strong commented that they need to determine if they are comfortable with the three architects (Drew Krecicki, Steve Feller and Jack Rogers) volunteering their time to make a recommendation to the Commission on the architectural style.

Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to accept the three voluntary architects to develop the conceptual designs for the commuter rail canopies design; seconded by Commissioner Diebel. Mayor Strong commented that they also need to communicate to DOT that Winter Park will submit canopy design plans by September 15, 2008. He stated they will need to hear the architect's recommendations at their first meeting in September and if they cannot complete their work by September 8, 2008, they may need to find other volunteers. There was a consensus. **The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

Action Item g): Medical Insurance.

City Manager Knight commented that earlier today they had a work session regarding this matter and they spoke in great detail about a partially self-funded type of program. He asked if they would like to make a decision on whether they want to go with the fully funded program at the 12% increase they have in the budget or to authorize staff to negotiate the partially self-funded program; both will still be with Aetna. He stated that staff recommends the partially self-funded program because it gives them the most flexibility moving forward in plan design and controlling cost. Mr. Knight and the consultants answered questions posed by the Commission.

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson agreed to the partially self-funded program; seconded by Commissioner Diebel. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Public Hearings:

- a) ORDINANCE NO. 2744-08: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 58 "LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE" ARTICLE III, "ZONING" AND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP SO AS TO CHANGE THE EXISTING LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (R-2) ZONING TO LIMITED COMMERCIAL (C-3A) DISTRICT ZONING ON THE PROPERTY AT 421 W. MORSE BOULEVARD, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN. 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 Bridges. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Bridges, Anderson, Dillaha and Diebel voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

- b) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA RELATING TO SPECIAL RESIDENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS; ADDING A NEW SECTION 98-71 ENTITLED "SPECIAL RESIDENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS"; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PARKING PERMITS; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. First Reading

Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title. Public Works Director Troy Attaway explained they discussed this at the last meeting and the verbiage was put into the ordinance. He clarified that this ordinance does not define the districts but upon approval they will propose the districts that can be voted on following the second reading. Mr. Attaway answered questions.

Joe Terranova, 700 Melrose Avenue, supported the ordinance however believed there should be a provision for visitors who are staying with residents that live in the area so they have a place to park.

Commissioner Bridges addressed Mr. Terranova's remarks and how the issue of visitors was taken care of in her neighborhood. She stated she was supportive of the ordinance as it was written with the two decals and it addresses the concerns of the one neighborhood and the high school area as well.

Commissioner Diebel addressed the need to work with the schools so students have to register their license plate whether they choose to buy a permit sticker or not which creates a real assessment of the abuse of students who are parking on the street because they do not want to purchase a sticker to park at the school. Mayor Strong stated that before they ticket anyone they should issue a warning saying next time they will be towed or issued a ticket.

Commissioner Anderson commented that this is supposed to be for the benefit of residents and they should not have to pay \$5.00 for the sticker. Traffic Engineer Butch Margraf explained that most the existing programs that he researched online from other cities charged between \$30-\$50 and \$5.00 was very minor. Commissioner Anderson agreed.

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

c) Transmittal of the Comprehensive Plan.

Director of Planning Jeff Briggs gave a brief overview of discussion from the Commission comprehensive plan work session where there was a consensus not to vote to transmit the comprehensive plan tonight. He commented that they will discuss a schedule for moving forward and staff is committed to making the changes and updates. He stated the revised comprehensive plan will be on the website by Monday, August 18, 2008 and the document will be in lock down until there is enough time for public review and a subsequent transmittal hearing either on August 25 or September 8, 2008. Mr. Briggs also gave a power point presentation on the comprehensive plan transmittal and explained what changes occurred since the last version was adopted by the Commission. Mayor Strong suggested they reconfirm the motions from the earlier work session because they are trying to present a final comprehensive plan for the next meeting.

Joe Terranova, 700 Melrose Place, believed the future land use element of the plan is going to fail and expressed concerns with it not having flexibility. He spoke about the supermajority and stated they should rely on the majority of the Commission to take care of these important issues.

Rebecca Furman, Lowndes Drosdick Doster Kantor & Reed, spoke on behalf of the New England partners. She stated they are the owners of property on New England and these properties are being re-designated to commercial on New England. Ms. Furman requested this not be designated commercial along New England, that the comprehensive plan be consistent with the goals of Winter Park in maintaining the village character, and that New England become another access that would cross Park Avenue. The other issue under the 1991

comprehensive plan was they were allowed to develop 25 units an acre as multi-family, however, under the proposed comprehensive plan it changes them to medium density and reduces their available density from 25 to 17 units an acre. She requested those properties be returned to 25 units an acre (high density residential) or change the comprehensive plan to CBD. She stated the property was at 316 West Welbourne Avenue and they own the property on the northwest corner of New England and New York. Ms. Furman and Mr. Briggs answered questions. Mayor Strong commented that he wanted to learn more about the Welbourne parcel and it is something to consider if they are making a change that is subject to challenge.

Dan Bellows, 533 West New England Avenue, addressed amending the comprehensive plan to CBD in the Hannibal Square area in 1994, 1995 and 1996 and being rezoned from C-3 to C-2. He spoke about a discrepancy in the 1998 plan map where that plan still shows C-3 but has been rezoned to CBD. He commented that the only commercial corridors were specifically New England, Morse and Pennsylvania and he followed the plan the City laid out. He hoped they would get the correct 1998 base map that has all the comprehensive plan amendments prior to 1998 on it and a draft map that shows changes/updates and the City would hold public hearings to finish New England as CBD to New York so it is consistent.

Director of Planning Jeff Briggs explained that the rationale for why New England should be CBD is correct. He stated it is consistent with what they have done before and there has been a policy decision not to grant any future zonings. In terms of the CBD versus C-3, he explained his predecessor's viewpoint was that changing the zoning to C-2 was good enough and they did not have to have the comprehensive plan ordinances that needed to accompany them. He stated that when Mr. Bellows looks at the record he will find every one of the rezonings to C-2 but he will not find the companion comprehensive plan map change ordinance. He explained that they are correcting those mistakes and with the new map they are updating the CBD to correspond to all the C-2's that he got by virtue of the zoning. Mr. Briggs answered questions.

Commissioner Dillaha commented that the Hannibal Square commercial district is talked about as an adjunct to the CBD and believed it should be its own commercial district having its boundaries.

Mayor Strong commented that a commitment was made in every comprehensive plan they have done for the last three years that they would only allow commercial on New England, Morse, and Pennsylvania and that on New England they would allow the balance of that property east from Hannibal Square to develop consistent with what has been done. Mr. Briggs explained that no action has been taken to make it CBD. Mayor Strong commented this Commission can decide if it should be CBD or it should stay C-3. Mr. Briggs agreed.

Attorney Tyler Everett of Akerman Senterfitt and speaking on behalf of 250 Park Avenue Trustees, Inc., BFC New England, LLC, and EPIL Morse Blvd., LLC expressed opposition to what was to be transmitted today. He stated the comprehensive plan is overly restrictive as to development within the CBD; it does not address many of the issues that the DCA raised in the State Notice of Intent and; the inclusion of the parking area in the FAR that was deleted from most areas, but still included in the CBD, is unworkable.

Joan Cason, 1915 Woodcrest Drive, expressed that she supported having supermajority on any amendment to the comprehensive plan, annexation and sale of municipal property.

Sally Flynn, 1400 Highland Road, addressed getting out of commercial and back to residential and it is critical at this time to change the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) from 43% to 38%.

Donna Colado, 327 Beloit Avenue, stated there has been little discussion on the Capital Improvement Element (CIE) or the Transportation Element and according to the NOI there were many deficiencies in these two areas. She stated they need assurance that this has been taken care of and they will be in compliance in both transportation and the CIE.

Pat McDonald, 2348 Summerfield Road, was opposed to having community facilities in residential areas. She commented that she went through the definitions in the plan dated 07/01/08 and found things that need to be defined and that some definitions do not conform to the Florida Administrative Code or are in conflict with it. She provided handouts.

Pamela Roush, 733 Granville Drive, thanked the Commission for placing the grass by the Post Office and spoke about keeping and restoring the character of Winter Park, controlled growth and ensuring the comprehensive plan protects us.

Bee Epley, 151 N. Orlando Avenue, commented that she would support Park Avenue being designated a historic district.

Mayor Strong stated they were not transmitting today however they need to discuss the schedule and there was a consensus to go through the outline of the motion to transmit the Comprehensive Plan to Florida DCA, subject to the following modifications:

1. Pursuant to the Planning Commission recommendation:
 1. Amend to include strategic plan initiatives.

Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to include the strategic plan initiatives in our comprehensive plan recommendations; seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

2. Revise the maximum FAR table to separate the 6-8 story category per staff calculations (6-275%; 7-310%; 8-350%).

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to approve item b with the change that the maximum FAR be 250% for all three; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. City Attorney Cheek clarified that they were giving Mr. Briggs guidance about how to prepare the draft and they were not voting on the final language of the transmittal plan tonight. The Commission agreed that was correct. **Commissioner Diebel voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.**

3. Establish minimum pervious requirements for PD's at 25%.

Motion made by Commissioner Diebel to approve the recommendation of the pervious requirements; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

2. Pursuant to the review of the Transportation Element provide the following edits, clarifications and additions:

- Eliminate potentially confusing language regarding community transportation vision;
- Modify language regarding Transit Oriented Development, providing a definition that reflects local conditions and existing City land development code regulations;
- Modify language regarding Multi-Modal items, including reordering the potential capacity increasing improvements, providing local definitions and perspective, and providing language that ensures that all improvements contemplated, analyzed and implemented will be solely at the City's discretion;
- Modify language identifying bicycle and pedestrian activity as alternative, rather than primary modes of transportation;
- Develop and clarify language in both the Transportation and Capital Improvements Elements that highlights the City's use of the development review process, concurrency, and proportional fair share to contribute to mitigating existing and projected capacity issues primarily on State facilities;
- Develop and clarify language in both the Transportation and Capital Improvements Elements that highlights the City's contributions to identified regional mobility strategies;
- Amend Level of Service for Community Streets from LOS "D" to LOS "C" (per P&Z recommendation)****

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to accept everything on line 2 with the modifications that on the second bullet it is to eliminate language regarding Transit Oriented Development (TOD) and on the last bullet to extract out Lakemont and Minnesota; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. Mayor Strong clarified the motion that they identified Lakemont and Minnesota as LOS "D" and LOS "C" would apply to the balance of our community streets. **Commissioner Anderson agreed. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

3. Incorporate the revisions provided by CH2MHill for the Water Supply Plan pursuant to the comments received by the SJWWMD.

Mr. Briggs explained that these items were discussed with Bob Massarelli (with CH2MHill) pursuant to St. John's comments and they will receive an early ORC from them and are making the corrections. **Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to give that guidance; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

4. Incorporate clarifications as to the situations requiring a supermajority (4 votes) for approvals by the City Commission:

1. CRA creations or expansions.

Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha that the recommendation be that a supermajority is required for CRA creations or expansions; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. Commissioner Diebel voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

2. All Comprehensive Plan amendments, or
To Overturn recommendations by P&Z (P&Z rec.)

Overtun recommendations for denial by P&Z (Code now)
Comp. Plan amendments going from R-3 to R-4
Comp. Plan amendments to grant PD designations
Any Annexation

Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha to have a supermajority for all comprehensive plan amendments; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. Mayor Strong and Commissioner Diebel voted no. The motion carried 3-2.

Motion made by Commissioner Diebel for a simple majority with any annexation; seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

3. Any building project on City Land in the CBD.

Motion made by Commissioner Diebel for a simple majority; seconded by Commissioner Anderson. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

There was further discussion on the New England map CBD (pink) and C-3 (red) colors. Commissioner Dillaha did not want to make a decision on this tonight. Commissioner Bridges shared Mayor Strong's desire that it should be pink but was concerned about the process by which they get there. Mr. Briggs explained what would happen if the direction of the Commission was to make the pink contiguous and answered questions.

Commissioner Diebel expressed that she did not believe in the supermajority for comprehensive plan changes and would recommend a simple majority to allow for these things to become more consistent. Commissioner Dillaha stated they have time to decide whether to change the map to reflect CBD and suggested they meet at a later date to discuss this and believed that P&Z should also weigh in on this. Commissioner Anderson agreed with Commissioner Dillaha and that this will be a discussion point in the next two weeks. Commissioner Diebel agreed.

Mr. Briggs commented they will make the revisions within a week and place it on the website August 18 and provide public notice of a transmittal hearing on August 25 (if it is the Commission's direction). Mr. Briggs expressed that as soon as they have the comprehensive plan completed they need to turn their attention to single family zoning rules and regulations and look at the rules in terms of oversized homes and condo projects.

Commissioner Dillaha summarized wording she believed was incorrect in the Future Land Use Element. She mentioned the single family residential building code if they want to go back to the 38% FAR as it was prior to 2004. Mr. Briggs cautioned the Commission that when dealing with single family zoning and how much house someone can build, there will be a large number of speakers because it affects every builder, realtor, architect and homeowner. Commissioner Dillaha gave a copy of her comments to Mr. Briggs. Mayor Strong stated he would also provide his comments to Mr. Briggs. There was consensus regarding the adoption schedule.

City Attorney's Report:

No items were reported.

Non-Action Items:

a) City Manager's Report.

City Manager Knight provided updates on Brookshire Elementary, citizen survey, YMCA, Lot B, way finding signage, Planning the Possibilities and electric undergrounding. Mr. Knight answered questions on when trees would in the west meadow and when the draft budget would be ready. Mr. Knight and Finance Director Hamil also provided additional information on the water and sewer and electric bonds.

Planning Director Jeff Briggs stated they are having a meeting with School Board officials tomorrow to review plans for the new Ninth Grade Center and Commissioner Bridges is attending.

Mayor Strong reminded Mr. Attaway to give him the paving plans for next year's budget. Mr. Knight stated that Mr. Attaway gave them to him and that he will forward it to the Mayor.

New Business (Public):

No new business.

New Business (City Commission):

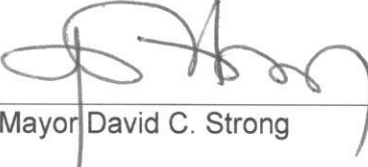
1. Commissioner Dillaha commented that the Post Office meeting is on Wednesday, August 13, 2008 and asked if Mayor Strong was attending. He confirmed his attendance.
2. Commissioner Dillaha spoke about the Niagara Water Bottling Company taking up 177 million gallons of water from the aquifer and they have a permit from St. John's Water Management District. She stated that Orange County Commissioners drafted a resolution to oppose that along with others and wanted to know if they would consider joining in that effort to say that they are not supportive at a time when we have to restrict the water that we use. She had a copy of the resolution and would provide a copy to everyone.

Attorney Cheek announced that Groveland in Lake County filed a petition today with St. John's and there is a legal process that will occur with an administrative hearing. Mayor Strong asked Attorney Cheek to prepare a resolution for consideration at the next meeting. There was a consensus.

3. Commissioner Dillaha addressed wanting to discuss City boards and the Economic Development Advisory Board at a future work session and to provide direction. City Manager Knight agreed.
4. Commissioner Bridges spoke about riding in the electrical parking enforcement vehicle and it being great. City Manager Knight expressed that it seemed to be a good option as a replacement vehicle because it is electrical and less expensive than what they were buying.
5. Mayor Strong commented that they have a budget work session on Monday, August 18 at 3:30 p.m. and that Mr. Knight will provide the budget on Wednesday, August 13.

Commissioner Diebel commented about the CRA and the feeling of the supermajority; if there are things in the general budget or vice versa that can be funded from the CRA that are in the general budget for a specific reason, it would be good to highlight that.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Mayor David C. Strong

ATTEST:



Cynthia S. Bonham, City Clerk