

**CITY OF WINTER PARK
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
September 11, 2006**

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 offered by Brian Fulwider, First Congregational Church of Winter Park, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present:

Mayor David Strong
Commissioner John Eckbert
Commissioner Douglas Metcalf
Commissioner Barbara DeVane

Also present:

City Attorney Trippe Cheek
City Manager James Williams
City Clerk Cynthia Bonham
Deputy City Clerk Nancy McLean

Member absent:

Commissioner Douglas Storer

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- a) Proclamation – Winter Park Firefighter Appreciation Week - Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Mayor Strong announced Winter Park Firefighter Appreciation Week of September 3-9, 2006 and read the proclamation honoring the City of Winter Park firefighters. Chief White introduced Erica Wheaton the program coordinator for MDA for Central Florida, who thanked the Mayor and the Commission and commended the firefighters for their efforts on behalf of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. She explained that Winter Park has been serving along with MDA for many years collecting for the Muscular Dystrophy and they raised over \$17,000 every year. Chief White provided a brief video presentation on the Firefighter's contributions and their participation with the Muscular Dystrophy Association Program.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

No report was made.

Mayor Strong asked if the bond resolution from the last meeting was clarified and corrected, if necessary. Attorney Cheek stated it had been corrected.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) Approve the minutes of 8/28/06.
b) Approve the following purchase:
1) Equipment for Wymore Water Treatment Plant Re-Pump Facility Conversion; \$657,750.00 (Budget: Water Improvement Bond Funds)
c) Approve the following budget adjustments:
1) Transfer \$1,700 from the Forestry budget to Code Enforcement to cover on month's salary for the Forestry Inspection position in Code

Enforcement. This will cover the salary for the remainder of FY 2006. The part-time position in Forestry will be replaced by this new position in the FY 2007 budget.

- 2) Transfer \$1,800 from the Fire Department to Facilities Maintenance to add additional windows in the bay doors at Station 61.
- d) Authorize the Chief of Police to execute the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Winter Park Police Department and the City of Gainesville representing the North Florida Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Motion made by Commissioner Metcalf to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Eckbert and carried unanimously with a 4-0 vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- a) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, RELATING TO STORMWATER, AMENDING SECTION 58, LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, ARTICLE V – ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REGULATIONS, DIVISION 1. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT, AMENDING SECTION 58-168 UNDERGROUND STORMWATER SYSTEM STANDARDS TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF UNDERGROUND STORMWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS ON PRIVATE FACILITIES; OMITTING DIVISION 2. STORMWATER BOARD OF APPEALS, SECTIONS, SECTIONS 58-191 THROUGH 58-194. First Reading

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

Motion made by Commissioner Eckbert to accept the ordinance on first reading, seconded by Commissioner DeVane. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Eckbert, Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 4-0 vote. Commissioner Storer was absent.

- b) Request of Robert Vega: CU Approval-To construct a six unit, four story residential condominium building of 23,500 square feet with parking at 125 S. Interlachen Avenue.

Planning Director Jeff Briggs explained the project is a four story, six unit condominium building under the R-4 zoning at 125 South Interlachen Avenue. He explained the zoning, setbacks, underground parking, and Planned Development variances for the lot coverage. He addressed the importance of scale and compatibility within the neighborhood and because the Planning and Zoning Commission disagreed with the variance of the fourth floor of the building and any extra height or square footage under the terms of the PD ordinance, four votes by the City Commission was mandatory. He suggested tabling the item until a full Commission was present and responded to questions and concerns.

Applicant Robert Vega spoke about the zoning for the property, surrounding properties, property size, surrounding compatibility of his project versus current buildings, aesthetics of his project, displayed a rendering of the proposed building, the project meeting code requirements, height of the building, elevations, his project meeting the comprehensive plan test, number of proposed units, density,

height, lot coverage, FAR ratio, new comprehensive plan FAR ratio, having more impervious space than the existing site, having more green space than the existing site, and underground parking. He agreed to build a Habitat for Humanity house for Winter Park in exchange for his project.

The following spoke in favor of the project due to various reasons: more green space, parking underground, replace the old building with a beautiful building, the project is in keeping with the Winter Park vision, the project meets existing codes and zoning, is compatible with the surrounding area and Mr. Vega considered the new comprehensive plan being proposed:

James Lucia, 1650 Lee Road, architect for the project
Blair Culpepper, 440 Seymour Avenue
Carol Saviak, Coalition for Property Rights
Lynn Kuschmann, 104 S. Interlachen Avenue #314
Rene Anduze, residing across from the Cloisters
Rae Connelly, 1438 Hyde Park Drive
William Pardue, real estate business
Carl Crampton, 2121 E. Winter Park Road
Joe Terranova, 700 Melrose Avenue
David Francetk, 840 Mayfield Avenue
Elizabeth Wilson, 102 S. Interlachen Avenue, #407 (only concern was truck traffic during construction on Interlachen).
Brenda Harrison, 125 S. Interlachen Avenue

Carolyn Cooper, 1047 McKean Circle, spoke against the project and stated this property was not large enough to meet the R-4 codes. She asked for support of the decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission and asked them to consider the applicant submitting this project with R-3 standards with the allowance for additional lot coverage.

Commissioner DeVane supported the request because of the location of the proposed project, the amount of green space and the project fitting nicely. She asked for input regarding the color. Commissioner Metcalf spoke in favor of the project because of its quality. Commissioner Eckbert spoke in favor of this request because of its quality and disclosed his meeting with Mr. Vega.

Mayor Strong suggested tabling this item until September 25, 2006 because of the need to speak with the two Planning & Zoning members that did not support this project.

Motion made by Commissioner Eckbert to table this request until September 25, 2006; seconded by Commissioner DeVane. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Eckbert, Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 4-0 vote. Commissioner Storer was absent.

- c) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, RELATING TO WATERWAYS; AMENDING SECTION 114-6 TO ALLOW

FOR VERTICAL SHEET PILE ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS. First Reading

Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title. Public Works Director Troy Attaway explained the ordinance clarifies the existing ordinance and is compatible with how seawalls are permitted. No public comments were provided.

Motion made by Commissioner Metcalf to accept the ordinance on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Eckbert. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Eckbert, Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 4-0 vote.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

- a) Report on meetings with residents regarding bricking of Via Lugano.

Public Works Director Attaway provided a report of the meetings held. He stated there was not a consensus built nor had the neighbor's feelings changed. He stated that Dr. Beattie asked that a decision not be made this evening and for the request to be tabled for two weeks to give him more time to try and build a consensus among neighbors. Commissioners Eckbert and Metcalf stated they were present at separate meetings held. They offered their viewpoint and addressed the feelings of the neighbors at these meetings. Commissioner Metcalf spoke about this issue being personal, neighbor to neighbor challenges and that the Commission should not be involved until the neighbors can be neighborly or agree how to handle this. Commissioner DeVane spoke about the parties affected and the need to follow the desires of the majority. She suggested informing the neighbors that it would be great if they want to provide a proposal for the entire roadway as well as the portion being discussed, otherwise, this will no longer be discussed.

Mayor Strong asked Mr. Attaway to inform the residents that a decision will be made at the September 25 meeting. Commissioner Eckbert suggested that if Dr. Beattie has decided to withdraw the request or not proceed short of further neighborhood support, that we could move forward and pave the road. He stated if that is the case he did not understand why this needed to come back before the Commission. Mr. Attaway expressed the preference of Dr. Beattie to hear this issue again in two weeks and to receive a positive or negative response from the Commission. Mayor Strong concluded that this issue will be heard in two weeks.

- b) Upland mitigation designation for 1.25 acres in Howell Branch Creek Preserve.

City Manager Williams stated with the redevelopment of our Wymore Plant, the City had an opportunity to utilize a different part of our City for mitigation that needs to be done for this project.

Utilities Director David Zusi explained that within the Howell Creek drainage basin, they are working on the Wymore Road Water Treatment Plant. He stated the City

owns property to the north where the fenced area of the existing plant is and we have to go into the property outside the fence line but within the City's property to expand the plant and build a larger ground storage tank. He stated a portion of the area they are impacting outside the fence line is considered wetlands by the St. John's Water Management District and that they are requiring mitigation if wetlands are impacted. He stated they want mitigation to occur within the same drainage basin and within the Howell Creek drainage basin the City owns, the Howell Branch Preserve property, which was recently purchased through the Florida Communities Trust Florida Forever Program. Mr. Zusi explained their proposal to create an uplands preservation zone that would be proposed and hopefully accepted by St. John's. He pointed out the wetlands boundary and the 100 year flood plain so the majority of the area they are preserving is within the 100 year flood plain and is not applicable for future park development. He stated they are proposing to remove all the invasive and exotic species and replant native species which are preferred by the Water Management District and Corps of Engineers. He further explained the process they need to go through, the need to improve the slope to improve the drainage, and remove and reduce the erosion problem.

Commissioner DeVane commented about the areas shown and which ones are wetlands and which areas could be used for a park and parking. She spoke about building boardwalks that go into different locations where you can go and see what a nature preserve is all about. She stated this is in keeping with what the purpose of that area of the park would be. She stated the area needs to be a little bigger but it fits well in what the park is all about. She pointed out the property they are trying to obtain from Orange County and the probability of a traffic signal to enter the property. The area of mitigation was further discussed.

No public comments were made. Mr. Zusi stated he would like to obtain a consensus that the Commission agrees with the proposal because they are submitting a mitigation plan to St. John's. There was a consensus to proceed as indicated.

Recess taken from 5:02 – 5:12 p.m.

At this time the meeting moved to the budget public hearings.

c) Surplus water utility property.

Utilities Director David Zusi explained there were two surplus utility properties available, the old Swoope Water Treatment Plant and the University Water Treatment Plant site. He stated the Swoope property has been leveled but the City retained a water supply well, and if the property is sold/leased the City would need a utility easement for the well. Mr. Zusi stated the site was presently being used by the U.S. Post Office as a temporary bulk mail facility during the construction of the Carlisle project and two City Departments were interested in the use of this property.

Mr. Zusi explained the University Water Treatment Plant site as the second property that had potential for alternative use in the future. He explained that it is

currently an operating water treatment plant until March 2007, then it will be demolished and water supply wells will be abandoned. Mr. Zusi stated the most logical use from the City's perspective would be to annex to the east to Forsyth Road, and if the annexation was approved the Fire Department would need a new facility to maintain their response times. He also stated Full Sail expressed interest in this property. Mr. Zusi responded to Board member questions and concerns.

Mr. Zusi was directed to obtain an appraisal on the property. Commissioner Metcalf addressed looking into trading the property with Full Sail.

NEW BUSINESS (PUBLIC COMMENTS)

No public comments were made.

NEW BUSINESS (CITY COMMISSION):

Commissioner Eckbert asked for an update on the Bellows properties at the next Commission meeting on September 25, 2006. Commissioner DeVane agreed with Commissioner Eckbert on this update.

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARINGS

The public hearings began at 5:12 p.m.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA ADOPTING A 4.758 MILL AD VALOREM TAX LEVY UPON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR APPROPRIATION TO THE GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE CITY, A .233 MILL VOTED DEBT SERVICE LEVY UPON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR APPROPRIATION TO THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2001, AND A .099 MILL VOTED DEBT SERVICE LEVY UPON ALL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR APPROPRIATION TO THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2004. First Reading

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2006 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007; APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE GENERAL FUND, CONTRIBUTION FUND, STORMWATER UTILITY FUND, AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND, COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT FUND, PARKS IMPACT FEE FUND, DEBT SERVICE FUND, WATER AND SEWER FUND, GOLF COURSE FUND, ELECTRIC UTILITY FUND, FLEET MAINTENANCE FUND, VEHICLE/EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND, EMPLOYEE INSURANCE FUND, GENERAL INSURANCE FUND, CEMETERY TRUST FUND, GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND AND STORMWATER CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND; PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS TO SAID ANNUAL BUDGET TO CARRY FORWARD THE FUNDING OF PURCHASE ORDERS OUTSTANDING AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2006; AND AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS HEREIN APPROPRIATED WITHIN DEPARTMENTS SO LONG AS THE TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL

APPROPRIATION SHALL NOT BE INCREASED THEREBY. First Reading

Attorney Cheek read both ordinances by title.

Mayor Strong stated the following: "The millage rate needed for fiscal year 2007 to generate the same property tax revenue for the City as in 2006, based on the Property Appraiser's certification, is 4.1057 mills. The budget proposed by the staff with amendments generally agreed to by the City Commission requires a millage of 4.758 mills. This proposed millage of 4.758 mills would represent an increase in property taxes not counting new construction of 15.89%. In addition, a .233 mill voted debt service is levied to cover the debt service of the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2001 approved by the citizens of Winter Park at the May 16, 2000 bond referendum, and a .099 mill voted debt service is levied to cover the debt service of the General Obligation Bonds, Series 1996 approved by the citizens of Winter Park at the June 4, 1996 bond referendum."

Finance Director Wes Hamil summarized the millage rates of surrounding municipalities, the City unreserved General Fund balance, unreserved General Fund balance as a percentage of expenditures, highlighted reasons for increases in the General and Stormwater budgets, the "A" list of recommendations for funding as requested by staff, and outside organization funding requests. Comments were made and questions were asked by the Commission and answered by Mr. Hamil and Assistant City Manager Randy Knight. Planning Director Briggs provided a quick overview of the CRA budget that will be approved on September 25, 2006.

The public hearing was opened as a simultaneous hearing for both the millage and budget ordinances. The following spoke:

Susan Gabel, 1539 Golfside Drive, clarified the St. Margaret Mary Church and Community Organization is not the church itself but people from the church and others from the Westside comprising the organization.

Sue Hoeksema, 1177 Tom Gurney Drive, asked for funding for the summer programs at the Community Center.

Michael Harbison, 2150 Forrest Road, asked that future budgets include more than the current upcoming year.

Curtis Hanson, 1044 Azalea Lane, spoke against a millage increase and addressed property taxes and values.

Marc Hagle, 1220 Park Avenue North, spoke about the need for more reserves and for information regarding its status, to review the budgeting process, and the need to plan for future capital projects, other projects and bonding requirements for the future.

Karen James, 1551 Dale Avenue, spoke in favor of budgeting for the Historical Association.

Joe Terranova, 700 Melrose Avenue, spoke about the need to plan for future budgets ahead of time and to save for more reserves. He addressed the CRA budget. He spoke in favor of increased library funding. He commented about certain organizations and endorsed funding for the Enzian and the holiday lights.

Jan Nichols, 1505 Bonnie Burn Circle, addressed outside organizations and the strategy needed to decide which outside organizations get funding and how much.

Carolyn Cooper, 1047 McKean Circle, supported earlier discussions regarding next year's budget, zero based budgeting or a way of starting from the beginning and justifying our costs, all items associated with the CRA be funded from the CRA fund, the drainage system in the downtown area, enhancing the taxing authority by supporting more office and retail by removing the allowance for R-4 site standards from all other zoning districts, and to review consulting costs and have staff perform some of that work.

Lurline Fletcher, 790 Lyman Avenue, spoke in support of the summer program for the Community Center and the need to budget money for tree trimming on the Westside.

Mark Van Valkenburgh, 319 Raintree Court, spoke in need for the library budget as requested.

Public hearing was closed.

Mayor Strong suggested dividing the discussion into the base budget which excludes the City's "A" list and the outside organizations. Commissioner DeVane asked that the general reserves be outlined at the next meeting and why it has diminished; and a calendar of what the City has done in the past in our budgeting process, when this work begins during the year and when the public discussions begin. She asked for a list of consultant expenses and the commitment of \$50,000 to perform a survey in November.

Commissioner Eckbert stated he will not support the budget because of the process followed and addressed the need to change the process in the next budget year. He spoke about attending Property Appraiser Donegan's presentation. Commissioner Metcalf addressed attending the presentation by Mr. Donegan and asked Mr. Briggs to plan to have this presentation in Winter Park in the future. He spoke about the need to plan five years ahead for the budget. Commissioner Eckbert addressed 75% residential housing in the City versus Maitland. Commissioner DeVane spoke about the impact of commercial property to the community and the financial impact of higher increases in the City's taxes on residential, more than commercial. She stated the City has a much more stable revenue base relying more on residential. She stated this needs to be looked at before rushing to push for more commercial. Commissioner Eckbert spoke about the need to redevelopment Fairbanks Avenue.

Discussion ensued regarding the base budget. Mayor Strong addressed issues in the General Fund that he believed needed discussion. He recommended the budget for the coming year and did not want to reduce the street paving budget but wanted Public Works to come to the Commission for final approval when ready for construction to expend funds on specific projects. City Manager asked how the Commission wanted this to be implemented; project by project or to provide a yearly list. Mayor Strong stated he did not have a problem with the yearly list that he has seen but that major projects like Lakemont and Palmer should come before them because of the large amount of funding budgeted.

Commissioner Metcalf asked if the Mayor was suggesting they approve a three year capital plan for street paving and then prioritize as necessary. Mayor Strong stated they will be discussing long range plans beginning in October but was addressing this budget year. Commissioner DeVane spoke about the current plan in place for more than a year with the Public Works Department based on the condition of the road bed and they know what needs to be done. She stated there is a lot more to this and suggested holding a work session to discuss their paving program. She stated it is very well thought out and the Commission needs to be more informed regarding this issue. City Manager Williams stated staff will provide this information for the October meeting. Mayor Strong recommended for budgeting purposes that the budget be adopted for road paving, it may be reallocated differently than its current proposal, and that the Commission have input.

Mayor Strong also addressed staffing on the Keep Winter Park Beautiful. He asked why a full time staff person is being funded for an Advisory Board and stated he did not support this expenditure. Parks and Recreation City Manager Williams explained the composition of the board. Director John Holland explained the staffing and what they do to obtain funding and to coordinate volunteers for the City. Mayor Strong explained he is not considering eliminating KWPB but wanted to be shown justification as to why this board alone requires a full and part time staff person at the next meeting. Mr. Holland was also asked to provide copies of their financial statement. Mayor Strong stated other than the two items discussed above, he recommends adopting the base budget at next meeting.

Mayor Strong then addressed the "A" list, which comprised of staff's priority requests. He stated the City employees are the number one asset and must be motivated and interested in doing their jobs. He stated Ms. Currie has provided a comparison of pension plans for surrounding areas and that it appears that the City is behind in this respect in providing pension benefits for the general employees. He spoke about staff's recommendation of option #2 and his concerns with the commitment of the City for the large amount being recommended. He suggested adopting the increase in the pension contribution by the City to 7.5% this year and future years and reconsider each year whether this needs to be improved or not and if there are resources available to do that. It was clarified that the \$101,752.76 be approved this year and all other years and the second and third stages will be revisited. Commissioner DeVane asked that all employee benefits be reviewed as a package at a future work session.

Mayor Strong addressed the request for Police laptop computers and their cost. Deputy Police Chief McEachnie displayed the laptops and justified the cost.

Mayor Strong addressed the suggestion made by Commissioner DeVane to increase the General Fund Reserve from \$150,000 to \$250,000. Commissioner DeVane spoke about her priority of building reserves before they contribute to outside organizations. Further discussion ensued regarding the funding of outside organizations. Mayor Strong addressed the need to encourage them to be self-supporting after the City helps to get them started but not to support them year after year. He spoke about the need of giving them notice in the future that the City may be reducing their future funding.

Commissioner DeVane spoke about the cuts made from the budget and the need for an additional staff person for parks maintenance. She asked that this be added to the budget. She stated the important issue is not to do a zero based budget but to define the level of service they want the City departments to maintain. She stated she believed the budget has been based on attempts to maintain the existing level of service if possible. She asked that a dollar amount be provided at the next meeting for the parks maintenance employee.

Funding a State lobbyist was discussed. Commissioner Metcalf expressed concerns with the reports received from the Federal lobbyist. Commissioner Eckbert suggested obtaining a recommendation from State Representative Dean Cannon as to what would be effective. Commissioner Metcalf spoke about his meeting with Representative Cannon regarding this issue. Mayor Strong stated he would like to include a State lobbyist in the budget and decide who it will be soon and while considering a staff recommendation. Commissioner DeVane provided her preference of not funding either lobbyist, state or federal, because there are higher priorities. She stated she believed it was City staff that obtained the money from the State for the FRDAP grants received. She spoke about the connections of Mr. Wiggins and Mr. Cannon with Tallahassee and his comments to her that you can use a lobbyist but you do not need them for the entire year. She stated if a State lobbyist is going to be funded that she recommended Mr. Peebles. It was agreed to include funding for the State lobbyist. There was consensus to budget for the state lobbyist and then decide who it will be.

City Manager Williams announced staff's recommendation of Mr. Peebles. Mayor Strong stated he supported staff's recommendation. After discussion, there was a consensus that the Federal lobbyist will provide information why we should continue his services. City Manager Williams will supply a history of what the Federal lobbyist has provided and a decision will be made at the next meeting whether to budget this or not.

There was a discussion regarding the water and sewer contingency fund and the electric fund.

Funding for outside organizations was discussed. Commissioner DeVane expressed her preference of having the discussion as to who and why the City funds outside organizations because of the number of not for profit organizations

that have fund raising campaigns and her belief that the City should not be using taxpayer dollars to support organizations that the taxpayers can fund if they choose. She spoke in about the thresholds that she believed needed to be met in order to fund these organizations. She spoke in favor of supporting organizations that operate specifically within the City of Winter Park, cultural organizations that attract people, and organizations that are providing the service we have chosen to have for the citizens that we feel they can provide better than the City can, i.e., library and Historical Association. She also spoke about her concerns with the non financial support given in terms of staff assisting and fee waivers for use of City facilities. Commissioner Metcalf spoke in favor of continuing to allow staff to make fee waiver decisions and for them not to come before the Commission each time. Commissioner DeVane agreed that she did not wish to debate fee waivers at meetings.

Commissioner Eckbert spoke about the varying opinions of which organizations should be considered for funding. He spoke against discussing them individually and expressing their opinion regarding which ones they prefer because of personal prioritizations of the issues concerning each organization. He agreed with the way the Commission funded the organizations last year and the process followed. He stated he will support not funding them but if they are he believed they should respect each individual Commissioners priority and utilize the allocation program they used last year. Commissioner Metcalf agreed with the system used last year to determine allocation of funds for organizations.

Commissioner DeVane addressed the items on the outside organization list that the Commission had already agreed to fund that should be pulled from the list and other items that should be not be listed such as Enzian because they are providing a specific service for the City with providing the Popcorn Flicks. There was discussion regarding the past funding of United Arts.

The Christmas lights materials and labor request was discussed. There was consensus to take this expenditure out of the budget for 2007 and when the committee requests money for next year to come out of the Contingency Fund, it will be discussed at that time.

There was a consensus to move the following organizations to the CRA budget with the amount budgeted to be discussed. Attorney Cheek was asked to review and confirm they are within the scope of the CRA.

Crealde School of Art
St. Margaret Mary request to modify fees at Community Center
Park Avenue Area Association
Enzian
Welbourne Avenue Day Nursery (if it is allowed)

There was a consensus to remove from the list and fully fund the following in the regular budget and be absorbed by the departments:

Winter Park Housing Authority (renovations to Plymouth Apartments)

There was a consensus to eliminate the following organizations/items:

Christmas lights and materials and labor (to be addressed later):
United Arts
Winter Park Diamond Dawgs (no request submitted)
Community Coordinated Care for Children, Inc.
Coalition for the Homeless
Olive Trees Foundation
Youth Advisory Council (no request due to leftover funding that was adequate)

There was a lengthy discussion regarding discretionary items. There was a consensus to leave organizations and to allocate the funding at the next meeting:

Albin Polasek Museum & Sculpture Gardens
Bach Festival Society
Historical Preservation Board
Public Art Advisory Board
Winter Park Day Nursery
Winter Park Historical Association
Winter Park Public Library
Winter Park Playhouse
Keep Winter Park Beautiful

Commissioner DeVane stated that an analysis was not provided for the valet parking when it was extended. She expressed the need to review how successful the valet program has been and if it is needed year round. It was clarified that a portion of the funding being requested from the Park Avenue Area Association is to fund the valet parking.

Commissioner DeVane spoke about not seeing the Keep Winter Park Beautiful staff person on the list but that City Boards are on the list. After comments, KWPB was deleted as a budgetary item and put on the discretionary list to be discussed. She stated that the volunteer coordination for the City is a Parks Department function. Mr. Holland spoke about the staffing and that about 25% is spent on volunteer coordination. He was asked to provide a breakdown of the \$146,000 allocated to KWPB to help the Commission better understand where those dollars go. Mr. Holland displayed the breakdown of the KWPB budget. He spoke about the programs that KWPB coordinates volunteers for. Mayor Strong stated their entire budget needs to be put on the discretionary list, Mr. Holland will provide justification for the revenues/expenditures before the next meeting, and the Commission will make a judgment regarding its priority. Commissioner Metcalf clarified that the total amount for organizations would be lowered and split among the organizations.

Commissioner DeVane asked if money should be budgeted for a survey in November. It was clarified that there is currently \$10,000 in the operating budget for a survey. She stated if a more extensive survey is desired, it would cost about

\$40,000 for a telephone survey and an additional \$15,000 to add focus groups prior to the telephone survey.

Mayor Strong asked that staff provide new schedules with the additions and deletions noted so they can finalize this at the next meeting. He summarized what has been taken from the base budget and put into the discretionary budget to include KWPB (\$146,000), State lobbyist (\$50,000) and increase the amount of contribution to the reserves (total \$250,000). Mr. Williams clarified the amounts and adjustments made to the "A" and Outside Organization lists.

Commissioner Metcalf suggested having an interim meeting before the next public hearing to make final cuts and so everyone understands what they will be voting for at the final hearing on September 25. Mayor Strong clarified they only need to determine how to allocate the funds for the discretionary items.

Motion made by Commissioner DeVane to accept the millage ordinance at the 5.09% level on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Eckbert. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. Commissioner Eckbert voted no. The motion carried with a 3-1 vote. Commissioner Storer was absent.

Mayor Strong announced that the City Commission adopted an operating millage which represents a 15.89% increase in property taxes. Finance Director Hamil re-computed the additions/deletions made.

Keep Winter Park Beautiful was again discussed. Comments were made that KWPB generates funds, the City subsidizes KWPB \$120,000 yearly, the significant fund balance KWPB has could be used to continue to fund that department and continue with staffing or what they determined to do with the fund balance. Mr. Holland clarified that funds are expended at the Commission's discretion but that some funding is already obligated towards projects, i.e., fencing at Farmers' Market. He stated the fund has been building over the years and they are just now spending the funds. Mr. Holland will provide an analysis and recommendation.

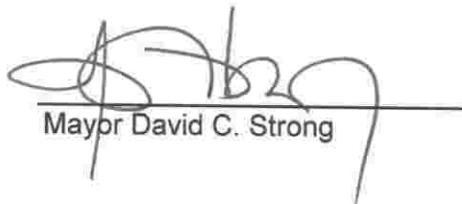
Motion made by Commissioner Metcalf to accept the budget ordinance on first reading, seconded by Commissioner DeVane. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. Commissioner Eckbert voted no. The motion carried with a 3-1 vote. Commissioner Storer was absent.

Commissioner DeVane asked for a balance sheet for the contingency fund so each time funds are expended, the Commission receives an updated list containing the balance.

Mayor Strong announced the second public hearing will be September 25, 2006 at 5:00 p.m., in the Commission Chambers for final adoption of the budget.

The Commission meeting ended at 9:03 p.m.

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Mayor David C. Strong

ATTEST:



City Clerk Cynthia Bonham