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 Finance Director Wes Hamil, 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

Public Hearings: Item 5 e) Appeal of DI Partners application

City Attorney Cheek stated there is pending litigation and administrative procedures going on and discussions with counsel for the property owner, there is a chance they can negotiate a resolution. He suggested this be tabled until the next meeting and requested a shade meeting in the interim to see if they can resolve the matter.

Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha to table this item; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

A shade meeting was scheduled for Monday, September 15, 2008 at 3:30 p.m.

Non Agenda Items:

1. Mayor Strong announced there is a Tri-County League of Cities meeting on September 18, 2008. He commented that the Commissioners can decide whether or not to attend.

2. Mayor Strong stated that they received a letter from the Florida Department of State regarding Casa Feliz being on the National Register of Historic Places.

Mayor’s Report:

a) City Manager annual evaluation.

Commissioner Bridges commented that she devised a combination of the City of Altamonte Springs City Manager evaluation and the Town of Windermere’s evaluation scale. She explained the evaluation form regarding the criteria for review and the evaluation scale. Mayor Strong suggested that each Commissioner reach their own conclusions on this form, put them into an average, and then either he or the Commission will present that to City Manager Knight. He added that there should also be a place for comments.

Commissioner Dillaha suggested that everyone have the same evaluation form with objective criteria, have the Human Resources Director compile it, and then present it at a public forum. Mr. Knight expressed that he was willing to meet with the Commission individually with their evaluations or was comfortable with the public format.
Commissioner Diebel addressed the objectives that Mr. Knight sent to the Commission being very broad and should be narrower. Commissioner Anderson agreed and commented that the objectives should be weighted. He also liked the City Manager Scorecard 2009 idea for those goals that are clear cut and measurable.

There was further discussion on how the evaluation process will take place and which forms to use. Mayor Strong commented they are required to give Mr. Knight his evaluation at the next meeting and there is a time constraint. He suggested that Ms. Currie combine both forms into one form (one presented by Commissioner Bridges and scorecard as modified by Commissioners Diebel and Anderson) and the Commission return it to her by the middle of next week. Mayor Strong added the Commissioners are open to having a personal meeting with Mr. Knight to describe things he needs to improve on.

b) Commuter Rail Presentation (requested by Commissioner Dillaha).

Commissioner Dillaha provided a power point presentation titled “Commuter Rail: Report to Address Costs, Agreement and Opportunity for Renegotiation.” She spoke about double taxation and future budget constraints, Winter Park commuter rail operating cost scenarios, operating cost detail—net of farebox revenue from 2017-2036, terms of the agreement possibly violating Florida Statues, the cost of the station and other costs being unclear, termination clauses in effect in the master interlocal agreement, and the terms of the Winter Park/Orange County agreement and fiduciary responsibility to Winter Park taxpayers. She outlined her recommended plan of action: 1) to have a workshop to review details; 2) take no action on design approvals or decisions incurring costs until a Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) is produced, agreed upon and signed; 3) ramifications of missed deadlines; and 4) renegotiate an agreement with Orange County that results in a better and more secure financial position for the City.

Mayor Strong commented on scheduling a work session to have a better understanding of the financial obligations of the City and whether or not they are fair and/or manageable. Commissioner Diebel asked Commissioner Dillaha if it was her intention to work to cancel this agreement. Commissioner Dillaha stated that was not her intention and wanted to renegotiate some favorable terms in the Orange County agreement, and get a JPA in writing from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).

Commissioner Diebel asked if they have a right to renegotiate this based on any of the conditions that Commissioner Dillaha set forth. Attorney Cheek addressed it not being a good idea to discuss strategic positions in a meeting like this. He commented that as he has indicated in working through this language with Commissioner Dillaha that if the Commission gives him direction to explore something he will do so but at the moment they have a contract that was signed and they are to follow the terms unless there is some other resolution reached. Mayor Strong stated that he did not see the harm in Attorney Cheek exploring these conditions for the work session. Attorney Cheek agreed. Mayor Strong also clarified that the work session would be about legal opinion, financial aspects and understanding what options they have, if any, to renegotiate.

Commissioner Diebel stated that she was not comfortable because if the intention is for Commissioner Dillaha to pursue canceling this agreement then they should get a legal position on their ability to do that. However, she was comfortable that they have an agreement with Orange County and its being matured and pursued as this work is progressing. Commissioner
Dillaha restated that they should renegotiate this contract if they can and they need to understand what their obligations are for the station cost. City Manager Knight answered questions. Commissioner Bridges asked staff to bring additional information that the Commission has not been kept current on. Mr. Knight agreed.

Mayor Strong commented that they would like a legal opinion before they have the work session and also have an opportunity to question counsel on his opinion at the work session. He added that a good topic will be how they are going to deal with unexpected increased costs. Commissioner Diebel agreed that a productive work session discussion would be how they plan for escalating costs but it was not productive to predict things that they do not know and cannot control. She wanted to clarify that if it was the intention to cancel the agreement with Orange County then that should be the topic of discussion but if it is the intention to be able to budget for future costs and they are supportive of a rail system based on building some contingency, then that point should be addressed.

A work session was scheduled for September 22, 2008 at 2:00 p.m.

**Action Items:**

a) Approve the minutes of 8/25/08. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.**

b) Accept the commuter rail canopies conceptual architectural style as prepared by HHCP Design and reviewed by the three selected local Winter Park architects, Jack Rogers, Drew Krecicki and Steve Feller. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.**

c) Approve the award of IFB-28-2008, Online Resident Survey to Kerr & Downs Research, $13,200.00 (Budget: Communications – Contractual Services).

d) Approve the two residential parking districts for the Parking Permit Program. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.**

e) Confirmation of Sherry Gutch as Director of Community Redevelopment. **PULLED FOR DISCUSSION. SEE BELOW.**

The following action items were pulled for discussion: a, b, d and e.

**Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to approve Action Item c; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.**

**Action Item a):** Approve the minutes of 8/25/08.

Commissioners Anderson and Dillaha asked for clarification on meeting minutes. There were no corrections made to the minutes.

**Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to approve the minutes of 8/25/08; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.**
Action Item b): Accept the commuter rail canopies conceptual architectural style as prepared by HHCP Design and reviewed by the three selected local Winter Park architects, Jack Rogers, Drew Krecicki and Steve Feller.

Planning Director Jeff Briggs explained that based on the timeline presented by FDOT to the City Commission an architectural style must be determined by September 15, 2008 in order to continue on schedule with design. He stated that three selected local Winter Park architects, Jack Rogers, Drew Krecicki and Steve Feller helped work through the design selection and all agreed that the Craftsman style (versus Mediterranean style) was the appropriate and historically accurate choice for Winter Park. He stated that Jim Fadal (architect) with HHCP Design provided illustrations of the commuter rail Craftsman concepts and illustrations of the station if they had additional monies left over to redo the station. Mr. Briggs reiterated that September 15, 2008 is the deadline and if the City does not give their input, FDOT will design the standard canopy model and move forward. He commented that staff recommends the Commission choose the Craftsman style of design. Mr. Briggs answered questions.

Mr. Krecicki, Mr. Rogers and Mr. Feller spoke about the historical precedence of the Craftsman style in relation to the old station that was in the park and the direction provided to FDOT for the continuation of their design efforts.

Commissioner Dillaha expressed her issue of $3 million waiting for the City for the station once they signed the agreements but does not know where that money is. Assistant Public Works Director Don Marcotte and Public Works Director Troy Attaway answered questions regarding the $3 million grant, the amount of funds available to the City in federal and state funds and how they will use that money, and the costs associated with enhancements to the Amtrak station. Commissioner Bridges thanked the architects for their efforts.

Motion made by Commissioner Diebel to approve the recommended style for the canopy and structure design as advocated by the architects (Craftsman style); seconded by Commissioner Anderson. Commissioner Dillaha commented that she wanted a follow up of the $3 million grant. Mayor Strong commented that was a work session discussion. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote. Commissioner Dillaha voted no.

Action Item d): Approve the two residential parking districts for the Parking Permit Program.

City Manager Knight explained that there are no changes within these communities other than a resident having the opportunity to purchase a decal that allows them to park in violation of the normal rules. Mr. Attaway and Traffic Manager Butch Margraf answered questions.

Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to approve the two residential parking districts (High School district and College Quarter district) for the Parking Permit Program; seconded by Commissioner Diebel. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Action Item e): Confirmation of Sherry Gutch as Director of Community Redevelopment.

Commissioner Bridges spoke about the article about the loss of our Economic Development Department and the severe ramifications that would have on the community. She stated having worked with Ms. Gutch this is not the end of the economic development and they are taking a positive proactive step forward and Ms. Gutch has the experience to take them in the direction
they need to go. City Manager Knight addressed that Ms. Gutch has experience in economic development as well as the community redevelopment and we are not ignoring the economic development function in light of recent budget reductions.

**Motion made by Commissioner Bridges to confirm Sherry Gutch as Director of Community Redevelopment; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

There was a recess taken from 5:27 – 5:38 p.m.

**Public Hearings:**

a) **ORDINANCE NO. 2746-08: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, RELATING TO TAXICABS; AMENDING SECTION 110-107 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK TO ALLOW A TRIP SURCHARGE AS DETERMINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION IN TAXICAB RATES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Second Reading**

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

**Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Anderson. 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) **RESOLUTION NO. 2013-08: A RESOLUTION OF THE WINTER PARK CITY COMMISSION PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 110-107 OF CHAPTER 110 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK TO ESTABLISH AN EMERGENCY FUEL SURCHARGE FOR TAXICABS.**

Attorney Cheek read the resolution by title.

Roger Chapin, Vice President Mears Transportation Group, explained that the surcharge will mirror the City of Orlando and they apply that to all fleets across all geographical boundaries which will expire March 2009.

**Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to adopt the resolution; 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.**

c) **ORDINANCE NO. 2747-08: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE REFUNDING OF ALL THE OUTSTANDING ELECTRIC REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2005A AND SERIES 2005B, OF THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF NOT EXCEEDING $60,000,000 ELECTRIC REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2008, OF THE CITY TO BE APPLIED TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH BONDS FROM THE NET REVENUES DERIVED FROM SUCH ELECTRIC SYSTEM; AND AUTHORIZING THE TERMINATION OF INTEREST RATE SWAP AGREEMENTS RELATED TO SUCH REFUNDED BONDS, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Second Reading**
Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title. No public comments were made.

Finance Director Wes Hamil explained the intent of the ordinance. Financial Advisor Craig Dunlap gave an update on market conditions. Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Hamil also elaborated on the water and sewer bonds and answered questions posed by the Commission. Mr. Dunlap commented that as a resident of Winter Park and hearing the budget discussions, he is willing to give up his retainer of $12,500 every year and offered that to the Commission for their consideration.

**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.**

**d) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA ESTABLISHING A FORMULA FOR THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE ELECTRIC UTILITY TO THE GENERAL FUND; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. First Reading**

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

**Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to approve the ordinance on the 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.**

**City Attorney’s Report:**

a) **RESOLUTION NO. 2014-08: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, REGARDING THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT’S NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPROVE ISSUANCE OF A CONSUMPTIVE USE PERMIT FOR 484,000 GALLONS PER DAY OF GROUND WATER TO NIAGARA BOTTLING, INC.; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title. No public comments were made. Commissioner Dillaha commented that this was the resolution she asked to bring forward that Orange County and other municipalities have signed off on.

**Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha to approve the resolution; 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.**

**Non-Action Items:**

a) **City Manager’s Report.**

1. City Manager Knight provided updates on Palmer Avenue, way finding signage, RLF consulting, landscape code revisions, comprehensive development plan, and the union issue.

2. Commissioner Anderson gave a brief update on Brookshire Elementary and his meetings with Orange County School Board member Joie Cadle and the Task Force.
3. Director of Communications Clarissa Howard spoke about the citizen survey and awarding the bid to Kerr & Downs Research. She asked that the Commission come prepared with questions for the September 15, 2008 work session. Ms. Howard added that she would be speaking with Kerr & Downs Research to find out if they want ideas ahead of time for more structure and will be communicating with the Commissioners via email to let them know the direction they would like to go. Ms. Howard answered questions.

   b) **Presentation to introduce the “Our Whole Community” initiative.**

Representatives Joann White, Rebecca Monfalcone and Dr. Larry Cuthill from the Interfaith Council of Churches gave an introductory presentation of the upcoming “Our Whole Community” initiative. This initiative is sponsored by four local churches that comprise the Interfaith Council of Churches on Community Health and Wholeness. This project is funded in part by a grant from the Winter Park Health Foundation and supports their goal of promoting health in the Winter Park, Maitland, and Eatonville communities.

Dr. Cuthill announced the “Our Whole Community” kick-off will be September 14, 2008 from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the Winter Park Presbyterian Church.

**New Business (Public):**

1. Kenneth Murrah, 1601 Legion Drive, explained that on August 8, 2005 the Winter Park City Commission adopted a resolution supporting Orange County’s efforts to secure funding for the commuter rail system. He commented that there have been changes since August 8, 2005 and urged the Commission to renegotiate the terms of the agreement.

2. Kim Allen, 271 Virginia Drive, spoke about comments made at Commissioner Anderson’s coffee talk and advocated that Winter Park is business and merchant friendly. She commented that over the past few years the Commission and employees have in excess of $20 million in terms of support for the commercial corridors and our businesses. She provided examples.

3. Sandy Womble, 940 Old England Avenue, spoke about the fallacies of the commuter rail task force findings and that the Commission has the chance to renegotiate this agreement.

4. Carolyn Cooper, 1047 McKean Circle, spoke about commuter rail being fiscally irresponsible. She also commented that the Comprehensive Plan has been submitted and the next step is to send someone to speak to every person that is going to review this document before they get it from the DCA. She added that they can amend what they sent them and do not have to wait for an ORC.

5. Pat McDonald, 2348 Summerfield Road, commended Commissioner Dillaha for her research on commuter rail, agreed with everything said, and wanted to look into renegotiating the agreement. She commented that she wished that Commissioner Diebel would live up to her promises about being fiscally responsible.
New Business (City Commission):

1. Commissioner Bridges spoke about having a summit to develop a plan of action for Mead Gardens. She commented that this was to form a template they can use in other citizen activist groups with an interest in parks and our Parks Department. She suggested it be held prior to the Family Fall Festival at the Welcome Center on October 25, 2008. She asked the Commission to attend with Parks and Recreation Director John Holland, members of the Friends of Mead Gardens, and the Parks board representatives. Mayor Strong commented that this to be noticed when the details are finalized. Mr. Knight agreed.

2. Commissioner Bridges suggested working on code enforcement and finding a better way to work with our citizens. She commented about numerous complaints about 100 Sterling Avenue and how the maintenance issues are not being resolved. She wanted to see if they could refine, streamline and expedite the process and take a proactive stance.

Building Director George Wiggins spoke about code enforcement and their productivity. He explained that some of the delay relates to the legal process they have to go through but they welcome additional input that will expedite the code enforcement process and improve its effectiveness. Mr. Wiggins stated they will look into that particular case or any other case they have in mind.

3. Commissioner Anderson commented about the need to be proactive about map colors, parking definition and the Central Business District (CBD) building heights in the comprehensive plan before it comes up for amendment. He believed there was consensus from the Commission that with the proper amount of public discussion they might be proactive on a few of these zones. He saw these amendments as ones to be made prior to adoption.

4. Commissioner Diebel asked Mayor Strong to remind people to speak to the issues and not to the individual and addressed the adoption of a policy of decorum by the Commission. She spoke about enjoying the decision making with this present Commission but did not appreciate the directed comments to her about being fiscally irresponsible, especially when she was the only Commissioner that voted for a tax decrease today. She added that she respects everyone’s opinion on the Commission and hopes the public will do that as well. Mayor Strong stated that Commissioner Diebel made a good point and asked City Manager Knight remind him to make this point at the next meeting. Mr. Knight agreed.

5. Commissioner Dillaha stated there is Growth Management Act conference in West Palm Beach and asked if staff would be attending.

6. Commissioner Dillaha agreed with Ms. Cooper’s comments about seeing if they can have someone meet face to face with transportation officials like FDOT or whoever is necessary for the comprehensive plan. She wanted to follow up on that and see who might go.

Millage and Budget Public Hearings

Mayor Strong opened the public hearing and read into the record the following: "The millage rate needed for fiscal year 2009 to generate the same property tax revenue for the City as in 2008, based on the Property Appraiser's certification, is 4.1470 mills. The budget proposed by the staff with amendments generally agreed to by the City Commission requires a millage of 4.0923 mills. This proposed millage of 4.0923 mills would represent a decrease in property
taxes not counting new construction and the City’s dedicated increment value payment to the Community Redevelopment Agency of 1.32%. In addition, a .2066 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 .0869 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."

Attorney Cheek read both ordinances by title. Both were acted upon simultaneously. Mayor Strong commented that the proposed millage rate of 4.0923 can be reduced at the next public hearing and it will not be increased without difficulty. He stated for practical purposes this would be the maximum millage ultimately adopted.

Peter Weldon, 700 Via Lombardy, asked if the increase in the millage rate results in a tax increase for Winter Park citizens. Mr. Knight responded that it depends on the value of the property. He stated that there is an additional $25,000 homestead exemption for houses worth more than $50,000. Mr. Weldon addressed that he is cutting back on his budget and would like to see the City respect that circumstance that likely exists for the entire citizenry.

Melissa Taylor, City employee, addressed that she will be laid off due to budget cuts effective October 1, 2008 and requested the Commission reassign her to another position.

Joe Terranova, 700 Melrose Avenue, suggested they keep the millage rate at the 4.0923 for the first reading of the ordinance, settle items on the budget and then make a decision as to whether they should go back to the rate of 3.995. He also agreed with the budget cuts and their attempt to restore fire and police positions. He asked they not make cuts to the library.

Kenneth Murrah, 1601 Legion Drive, urged the Commission to keep the millage rate at 4.0923.

Kim Allen, 271 Virginia Drive, commended staff about the $2,000,000 in cuts being a significant effort and expressed that they need to ensure enough money is put aside for projects they want to do and have reserves available.

Carolyn Cooper, 1047 McKean Circle, asked that they be fiscally responsible particularly about the things they cannot define. She voiced concern that the Fairbanks Beautification Program was not in the budget and believed the Parks Department needs to become a revenue generator. She also preferred that the millage rate stay at 3.995. Mayor Strong clarified they have the Fairbanks Avenue enhancement in the budget over the next 2 years.

Commissioner Dillaha asked to discuss policies and cost saving ideas going forward.

1. Commissioner Dillaha discussed possibly having a policy that budgets/caps fee waivers. Mayor Strong’s recollection was they made a policy decision to defer that to the Parks Advisory Board. Parks and Recreation Director John Holland stated that was correct and the Commission agreed to leave the fee waivers to the Parks and Recreation Commission. He stated one of the considerations is to place a firm budget figure into fee waivers.

2. Commissioner Dillaha asked if they made a decision to place a hold on the policy of neighborhood street bricking. Mr. Knight explained that they did not adopt that as a policy and there was no formal action. Mayor Strong stated that he would like to adopt that they do not accept any bricking applications for this next fiscal year. Commissioner Dillaha agreed.
Commissioner Bridges disagreed because of it being citizen driven and a personal and private property issue and that citizens want to pay for and contribute to the cost of bricking their street which saves the City money. She did not wish to deter any neighbors who are willing to engage in that whole financial process themselves. Commissioner Diebel agreed. She commented that it was not prudent to prohibit individual citizens for improving where they live and asking for consideration for matching funds which clearly are budgeted in their road improvement cycles every year. After further remarks, Commissioner Dillaha then commented that she was okay with continuing with brick streets.

3. Commissioner Dillaha commented about saving staff time by not having every department at each board meeting, Commission meeting or work session. She asked City Manager Knight to consider this. She also suggested reviewing consultant contracts.

Commissioner Anderson asked if the comments made in the work session today would be incorporated in the budget ordinance. Mr. Knight explained that the list of items discussed at the budget meeting (earlier) would be factored into the ordinance for the second reading. Commissioner Anderson made clarifications on the millage rate in order to add some context to the discussion that was brought up earlier. He compared the taxes to be paid for a $400,000 house versus a $2,000,000 house using the 4.0923 millage rate.

Commissioner Diebel advocated keeping the millage rate at 3.995 and did not believe in raising taxes. She wanted a more efficient budget that creates the service environment that they all desire. Commissioner Anderson commented that one of the reasons to leave the millage rate at the 4.0923 has to do with Reserves.

Mayor Strong returned to the work session discussion. There was a consensus to add back the two police officer positions. Mayor Strong asked about reducing the funding for outside organizations from $120,000 to $60,000. Upon comments, a consensus was reached to reduce it to $80,000 and that it would be requested that funds given to United Arts would be disbursed among Winter Park organizations.

Motion made by Commissioner Dillaha to fund the following three organizations in the following amounts: The Library $40,000, Winter Park Historical Association $25,000, and United Arts $15,000; seconded by Commissioner Bridges. Mayor Strong commented that this is all subject to change at the next budget hearing and this is the direction to staff that this is the contemplated budget to be advertised. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Bridges, Anderson, and Dillaha voted yes. Commissioner Diebel voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

Mayor Strong commented that since they did not finalize the millage the higher millage should be read knowing it can go down from there. Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title replacing it with a 4.0923 mill.

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to accept the ordinance on first reading of 4.0923; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Bridges, Anderson, and Dillaha voted yes. Commissioner Diebel voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

b) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2008 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2009; APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE GENERAL FUND, DESIGNATIONS TRUST FUND, STORMWATER UTILITY FUND, AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND, COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT FUND, POLICE GRANT 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, 2008; AND AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS HEREIN APPROPRIATED BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS SO LONG AS THE TOTAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS SHALL NOT BE INCREASED THEREBY. First Reading

Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title.

Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to accept the ordinance on first reading as currently published, subject to revisions prior to the second reading; seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. Attorney Cheek clarified that would include the modifications already voted on and discussed tonight and at the work session. He added that it would better to articulate what those were at the work session for this meeting. Mr. Knight agreed to do so. They were as follows:

1) $200,000 taken from the North Park Avenue Park project that had been previously approved in last year's budget.
2) North Park Avenue added $100,000 for a rest room at Cady Way.
3) $300,000 for the Cady Way/Mead Garden combined maintenance facility.
4) $25,000 (funding for one year) for all park benches, refurbishing or replacing those.
   Tonight’s discussion:
5) Add back two police officer positions.
6) $80,000 for organizational support.

Mr. Knight commented that this places the contingency at $1,200,000 at the 4.0923 millage.

Commissioner Bridges clarified for the record that the $200,000 was not taken away from that park but rather it is broken into phases. Mr. Knight stated that was correct, they were phasing that project of $50,000 now and the remainder to be done at a later date.
Motion made by Commissioner Anderson to confirm that what Mr. Knight recited was correct (see list above); seconded by Commissioner Dillaha. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Bridges, Anderson, and Dillaha voted yes. Commissioner Diebel voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

Mayor Strong asked staff to provide the Commission with a new summary based on what they have so they are prepared at the next meeting to finalize this.

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Mayor David C. Strong

ATTEST:

Cynthia S. Bonham, City Clerk