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 Pastor Tom Hentz, Community of Christ Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: 
Mayor David Strong  
Commissioner John Eckbert  
Commissioner Douglas Metcalf  
Commissioner Barbara DeVane  
Commissioner Douglas Storer

Also present: 
City Attorney Trippe Cheek  
City Manager James Williams  
City Clerk Cindy Bonham  
Deputy City Clerk Nancy McLean

MAYOR’S REPORT:

a) Proclamation-Fire Prevention Week.

Mayor Strong presented Assistant Fire Chief Brian Dean with a proclamation proclaiming October 8-14, 2006 as Fire Prevention Week.

Item not on the agenda

Communications Director Clarissa Howard showed a video as shown on Channel 9 regarding the red light operation in Winter Park. Police Chief Ball spoke about the letters sent to the legislature supporting red lights at intersections.

b) Enzian Task Force name change.

Motion made by Commissioner Storer to change the name of the Enzian Task Force to the Cultural Center Task Force, seconded by Commissioner Metcalf and carried unanimously. Commissioner DeVane raised concerns with the name because the City is looking for a theater not a cultural center. She stated if the task force is going to be broader in focus they may also want to discuss broadening the group to represent other cultural organizations on this task force as well. Mayor Strong commented he believed the intent is to consider other possibilities for this site. Commissioner Metcalf addressed the proposal earlier on was that the largest of three theatres would have high tech capabilities to do different things besides showing movies. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT:

No report.

CONSENT AGENDA:

a) Approve the minutes of 9/25/06.

b) Approve the following bid:

1) Multiple awards for bid WP-26-2006, Purchase of Live Trees, to the list of vendors as noted on the tabulation sheet attached (Funding will be from Urban Hurricane Recovery Grant (75%/25%).
c) Approve the following budget adjustment:
   1) Appropriate $43,000 in funds restricted for code enforcement to purchase
      a vehicle for the new arborist/code inspector and ten laptop computers for
      inspectors.

d) For Your Information – Café seating six month report.

e) Approve the contract with Televat for engineering services for Citywide 800 megahertz
   communications rebanding; and the Attorney-Client contract with the law firm of
   Shullman, Rogers, Gandal, Pordy and Ecker for legal representation during the project.

   Motion made by Commissioner Metcalf to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by
   Commissioner DeVane and carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

a) ORDINANCE NO. 2687-06: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK,
   FLORIDA, AMENDING WITHIN THE CHARTER LAWS OF THE CITY OF WINTER
   PARK, SECTION 1.02, “CORPORATE LIMITS DESCRIBED,” SO AS TO ANNEX THE
   PROPERTIES AT 2329 W. FAIRBANKS AVENUE AND 0 ALLEN STREET AND
   UPDATING CHAPTER 58, “LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE”, ARTICLE I
   “COMPREHENSIVE PLAN” FUTURE LAND USE MAP AND ARTICLE III, “ZONING”
   OFFICIAL ZONING MAP SO AS TO ESTABLISH COMMERCE FUTURE LAND USE
   AND GENERAL COMMERCIAL (C-3) ZONING ON THE ANNEXED PROPERTY, MORE
   PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN. Second Reading

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

   Motion made by Commissioner Eckbert to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Storer. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Storer, Eckbert, Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

b) ORDINANCE NO. 2688-06: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK,
   FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 58 “LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE” ARTICLE VIII,
   “HISTORIC PRESERVATION” SO AS TO PROVIDE CLARITY, IMPROVE
   FUNCTIONALITY AND TO ALLOW THE CITY TO MEET THE STANDARDS FOR
   PARTICIPATION IN THE FLORIDA CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAM.
   Second Reading

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

   Motion made by Commissioner DeVane to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Eckbert. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Storer, Eckbert, Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

c) ORDINANCE NO. 2689-06: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK,
   FLORIDA, RELATING TO VACATING AND ABANDONING THAT CERTAIN FLORIDA
   POWER CORPORATION EASEMENT AS RECORDED IN O. R. BOOK 2458, PAGE
   1582, PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS LYING WITHIN THE
   KNOWLBOURNE SQUARE CONDOMINIUM AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED
   HEREIN; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Second Reading

   Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title. No public comments were made.
Motion made by Commissioner Eckbert to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Storer. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Storer, Eckbert, Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

d) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA RELATING TO STREET NAME CHANGES; AMENDING CHAPTER 90 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES BY ADDING A SECTION ON CHANGING THE NAME OF A STREET WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF WINTER PARK. First Reading

Attorney Cheek read the ordinance by title. Public Works Director Troy Attaway explained that the ordinance clarifies procedures when there is a request to change the name of a street. No public comments were made.

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

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

a) Request by The Housing Authority of the City of Winter Park for City subsidy for The Plymouth Apartments located at 1550 Gay Road.

The Winter Park Housing Authority requested financial assistance from the City in order to renovate and preserve the Plymouth Apartments as an affordable housing complex. Planning Director Jeff Briggs introduced Housing Authority Executive Director Lynda Hinckley. He stated the action requested from the Commission is whether or not to increase the affordable housing linkage fee from $.50 to $.65 per square foot which would raise the $100,000 annually that is needed for the Plymouth subsidy.

Ms. Hinckley spoke about HUD foreclosing and selling The Plymouth at auction in 120 days and their efforts to purchase the property so the residents can remain. She summarized the affordable housing projects they have been instrumental with. She addressed the need to keep the units affordable for the current residents and The Plymouth being in a slow decline because of low rents and poor management and the lack of funds to correct deficiencies cited. She spoke about their efforts to try and make the proposed deal work. She stated the HUD vouchers would have been the answer to this because they would have paid the difference between the bump in rent that was required and the rent the residents were currently paying. She stated they did not find out until September that HUD could not fund the vouchers. Ms. Hinckley stated without their assistance they were forced to find other sources of funding. She stated they need $100,000 a year over the long term to complete the rehab, they need the influx of cash up front and have not found the $350,000 necessary to complete the rehab. She stated they will continue to apply for Federal funds, but nothing solves this in the time they need to solve it because HUD is foreclosing on them. She asked for help to save The Plymouth and provided petitions signed by residents asking for the City to help them. Commissioner DeVane asked if HUD is requiring them to have a dedicated funding source as they move forward or if the Plymouth needs the $100,000 to close the financial transaction. Ms. Hinckley stated they need more than $100,000 and explained why and that the increase in rent would be a burden the residents cannot afford to pay.
Commissioner Eckbert asked for the specific dollar amounts needed and the deadlines the funds are needed by. Ms. Hinckley stated The Plymouth contract expires the end of December and she believed HUD would foreclose in early January or February. She stated if they cannot close by December, they will lose The Plymouth. She stated the seller is a non profit whose board is comprised of members from the First Congregational Church and they have extended the contract all they can. She spoke about possible funding sources later but that none of it is available before the contract expires.

Scott Zimmerman, handling the financial portion, addressed the need to fund the gap between proposed rents for existing tenants and the new rents needed to sustain the project which they estimated to be $511,000 in the project’s first year, and the anticipated sources and uses of funds to purchase and close The Plymouth which included a portion of rehab. Further financial considerations were discussed and explained by Mr. Zimmerman. Commissioner DeVane asked about funding opportunities with Orange County. Ms. Hinckley stated there is no possible funding within the next 60 days. There was discussion regarding the City lending them the money to get them through this period, the need for them to raise $500,000 to $1,000,000 in order for the lender to commit to the proposed funding as outlined, and the lender requirement to obtain this in writing that the City will fund it. Commissioner DeVane spoke about the need for the Federal lobbyist to work on this issue. There was a consensus of the Commission that they want to help the residents.

Options were discussed as to how the City can best help the residents. Florida Community Partners was disclosed as the lender. Commissioner Eckbert addressed exploring options with the Federal, State and County governments. The amount of rent for the apartments was discussed for current and new renters.

Mayor Strong asked Ms. Hinckley her thoughts if the Commission agreed to advance them $100,000 per year for up to 10 years in the form of a loan. Ms. Hinckley suggested for the City to advance them $100,000 a year for years 1-3 as a grant because she believed they will break even in year four, and then be a loan in those subsequent years.

The following residents/board members asked for support of the Housing Authority request:

Phyllis Davenport, President of Resident Association at The Plymouth.
Paul Turner, resident
David McGathen, Board member of The Plymouth

Sandy Womble, 940 Old England Avenue, suggested that maybe the Winter Park Health Foundation could help with the funding.

Marc Hagle, 1220 Park Avenue N., spoke about the need for this issue to be funded and for a long range and broader program to identify the needs and what the City will need to fund in the future regarding the elderly. He stated in honor of his father he was happy to donate to charity at some level set up with the City $50,000 to help get the program started.

**Motion made by Commissioner DeVane to commit to the 10 year period, the first three being an outright grant and the following as a loan and that the City explore ways to raise the revenue to deal with housing issues as we move forward, seconded by Commissioner Storer.** She stated this is not the time to discuss a linkage fee and tie it to this issue but that it needed separate discussion.
Commissioner Eckbert asked why a decision is being made today regarding a grant versus a loan. He stated he believed at the end of the 10 year period, something gets reset and different things can happen to The Plymouth. He stated he was not sure whether it is better for the City to have a $1,000,000 or a $750,000 mortgage and asked if they had enough information to make that determination at this time. He suggested an amendment to the motion to not commit to when the loan or grant flips, but that the City does commit to the funding and as the funding mechanism is more focused, it may make more sense as to when this should be a loan and when it should be a grant.

Commissioner Storer agreed that the Commission could commit to a plan to help today, vote on it and then further investigate how they will get there. Commissioner Metcalf wanted to have the lobbyist and grant writers find the funds, and that the City be the guarantor at the back end with $100,000 a year available. He stated this is going to be a continuing opportunity and challenge with the aging population. He stated the City needs to be at the front end of showing everyone what good projects are in terms of well managed and well staged affordable housing. He spoke in favor of helping the Housing Authority and finding funds from other sources to pay for this. He stated he will commit to the $100,000 as part of what the City’s contribution to this project will be.

Friendly amendment made to the motion by Commissioner Eckbert to commit up to $100,000 a year for ten years; not identify this evening whether the funds will be a loan or a grant, and investigate which ways are the most appropriate, most helpful and most efficient to address the issue as to how the City commits to it and how we can ultimately fund it. Commissioner Storer as the seconder agreed to the amendment. Amendment carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Attorney Cheek stated the grant/loan needs to be characterized as something but that we can be flexible in the documentation and express what the Commission’s intent is. He stated he will provide a document in the future to confirm the Commission’s intent. He was asked to provide this at the next meeting. Motion as amended carried unanimously.

b) Keep Winter Park Beautiful board presentation concerning staffing and board organization.

This item was discussed first under the City Manager’s Report. Keep Winter Park Beautiful Chairman Phil Eschbach addressed the makeup of the board that was appointed in 1991. He proposed that the Commission appoint their members to the board in the future and suggested the current board remain until the next board appointments are made in May.

He summarized the background of the board and its mission to raise funds and spend the funds they raised on projects that City staff did not have funds for. He spoke about the finances of KWPB and their current balance, their fundraising/grant history from 1991-2006 and various projects they have completed over the years. He also summarized community awareness projects that did not bring in income. He proposed that they reserve the Farmers’ Market fence and want to spend funds on the I-4/Fairbanks project gateway, Mead Garden projects, projects at Farmers’ Market upgrades, and Westside projects they want to address.

He asked that the City fund a staff position for about $50,000 in the Parks Department who would manage KWPB, be the volunteer coordinator and be a grant writer for the Parks Department. He clarified that the KWPB portion of the position is only 1/3 of the funds asked for this position. He stated this would also allow them to maintain their affiliation with Keep America Beautiful which requires a staff paid person.
Commissioner DeVane clarified the amount they were asking for. Mr. Eschbach stated they are asking for an additional $10,000 along with the $40,000 already approved and that KWPB will fund whatever the Commission does not approve towards the expenses to run the office. Mr. Eschbach recommended keeping KWPB as a City board, not advisory, with the mission to raise funds and implement those projects. He stated the KWPB Board, as appointed by the Commission, and the Parks Department would oversee their budget and expenditures. Mayor Strong clarified that KWPB would operate with the $35,000 per year they receive from dance lessons and the additional $17,000 (one third of the $50,000 provided) funded by the City in addition to their reserves at this time. Mr. Eschbach agreed that the $52,000 per year would be sufficient for KWPB to function. Mayor Strong asked what will happen to KWPB when their reserve of $280,000 is spent in the future, and they are only receiving the approximate $52,000 to operate. Mr. Eschbach addressed ways to raise funds including grants and fundraisers.

The number of board members was discussed. Mr. Eschbach recommended a maximum of 20 members and the core active members remain until May when new appointments are made. Commissioner DeVane suggested that the grant writer be specific for the department.

Parks Director John Holland agreed with the three responsibilities of the staff person and that this would be a great partnership with KWPB. Commissioner DeVane suggested trying this relationship with a staff person for a year with the multiple hats and see how it works and evaluate it next year. There was discussion regarding whether the committee was formed by ordinance. Mr. Eschbach volunteered to be the liaison between the Parks Department and KWPB. Commissioner Storer spoke about the great job Mr. Eschbach has done and believed the KWPB Committee to be running fine for years and wanted to see its continuation.

Commissioner Metcalf addressed the importance of having a grant writer that will be successful in obtaining grants because of their skill of writing the document. He expressed concerns with City staff having the time to write grants because of their other duties. He addressed the need to hire a person with great capabilities to perform this duty. Commissioner DeVane commented about the position being able to handle larger grants also requiring specific expertise in writing grants aimed at a particular agency. She stated she envisioned the position would help with grants administration to follow up with paperwork that has to be filed which included a significant clerical component.

No public comments were made.

Motion made by Commissioner DeVane to fund an additional $10,000 in addition to the existing $40,000 for this coming year to come out of the Contingency Fund, seconded by Commissioner Metcalf and carried unanimously.

Recess taken from 5:03 – 5:17 p.m.

c) Capital improvement plan and ten year projection of operating revenues and expenditures for the General Fund.

Finance Director Wes Hamil presented the 5 year capital improvement plan which included requests from all the departments. He explained the plan will be revisited each year during the budget process and the purpose is to foresee what may happen over the next five years. He asked the Commission’s input on any additional information or adjustments they deemed necessary to the schedule. Mr. Hamil stated they also prepared a ten year projection of operating revenues and expenditures to see how well it would correspond with the funding of
the capital improvement plan. He addressed the budget year 2007 as $450,000, year 2008 as $711,000 and year 2009 as the first year it is in the negative. Mr. Hamil stated if revenues and expenditures are as projected they will not be able to fund the entire capital improvement plan beginning in 2009 and adjustments will be necessary. He stated one significant unknown that was not in this projection was what may happen as a result of any property tax reform and how it may impact the City in fiscal year 2009. Commissioner DeVane expressed her concern with revenues and the discussion of changing homestead exemption along with the continuing conversation of changing franchise fees. Mr. Hamil and Assistant Director Randy Knight responded to board member questions and concerns.

Mr. Knight gave a brief explanation about the adjustment with the insurance fund. Commissioner DeVane asked Mr. Hamil if he could do a sensitive analysis, change the percentage on items such as gas prices and the increase of health insurance and see what the overall impact would be. He stated he could run different scenarios later and see what happens.

Mr. Hamil stated he did not need any action on the ten year projection but needed approval from the Commission on the capital improvement plan. Mayor Strong stated he was not personally prepared for the capital improvement plan because of difficulty reading the spreadsheet. Commissioner Metcalf asked about the capital improvements fixed amount of $822,000 under Lakes & Waterways. Mr. Hamil stated that was presented to the Lakes & Waterways Board and they approved it. Commissioner Metcalf stated if this was staying at $822,000 because the cost of maintaining old projects were becoming more expensive every year, that they needed to look at fee adjustments to keep that program stable. He explained the lakes in Winter Park are one of their major assets and they need to keep up with continuous improvements.

Public Works Director Troy Attaway elaborated on the total revenue received from the Stormwater Utility fund. He stated a percentage is set aside for capital and the remainder is for operation. Mr. Attaway explained they have a long way to go to keep stormwater runoff’s from going into the lakes and he believed $822,000 was reasonable. Commissioner Metcalf addressed the fewer projects every year because of the increase in cost. Mr. Attaway concurred and stated in their overall scheme they have continued to treat more outfalls and eventually will not spend as much on capital.

Marc Hagle, 1220 Park Avenue North, explained he believed the next important step was to take these numbers and convert them into a management tool. He stated that every department needs a wish list to run a business describing what is needed and what they would like to see.

Mr. Hamil addressed the approval for the 5 year capital improvement plan and asked the Commission to consider other projects to add to the list. He stated they could email suggestions and this could be an item discussed at the next Commission Meeting. Mayor Strong asked if they were set for this fiscal year. Mr. Hamil concurred.

Commissioner Eckbert stated he would be in favor of going through the exercise of identifying what the quality objectives are before they approve such a long range budget process. Mayor Strong asked if this must be incorporated in the comprehensive plan before they submit it to the state. Mr. Briggs stated they are to include a 5 year capital improvement plan and the Commission could approve this at the next meeting along with the transmittal decision. Mayor Strong stated decisions need to be made no later than the next meeting if they choose to transmit. Mr. Briggs concurred with the understanding that all future fiscal years are subject change every year.
Motion made by Commissioner DeVane to approve the five year capital improvement plan, seconded by Commissioner Storer. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Storer, Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. Commissioner Eckbert voted no. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

d) Water and sewer fund budget requests.

Finance Director Wes Hamil stated that the list contains FY 2007 projected revenues and items within constraints of revenues projected for next year. Mayor Strong asked for the description and explanation of each item. Commissioner Metcalf asked if the entire GIS are within this one line item. Mr. Hamil stated this was for water and sewer operations. He explained that any money remaining from the general fund previously approved for GIS would be taken care of in phase one of the GIS project. Public Works employee Phil Daniels addressed the list provided by Mr. Hamil and the necessity of all the items. After discussion and questions, Mr. Williams stated the list is not frivolous and all items are necessary to remain at the current level of service. Mayor Strong addressed the water and sewer reserves and commented on relating our reserves to the service they want to provide and how quickly they would like to provide it in the future.

Motion made by Commissioner Metcalf to adopt the water and sewer fund budget, seconded by Commissioner Storer. Upon a roll call vote, Mayor Strong and Commissioners Storer, Eckbert, Metcalf and DeVane voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

e) Federal lobbyist.

Commissioner Metcalf summarized his conversation with Mr. Davenport which did not contain funding the City is proposed to receive out of the House budget. Mr. Davenport indicated one of the challenges is that four of their top five priorities were transportation issues. He explained it would be better to spread future directives and wish lists out among different areas so they were not requesting four transportation items because of the unlikelihood of receiving that number.

Liaison George Wiggins stated that Mr. Davenport was meeting with the departments on October 12, 2006 to discuss strategies to improve the likelihood of receiving funding. Mayor Strong asked if they had pending requests. Mr. Wiggins stated they have Parks and Recreation, Public Works and other areas.

Mayor Strong stated they need to decide if they want to continue with the federal lobbyist at the next meeting on October 23, 2006. Mayor Strong asked to table this item until October 23.

Commissioner Metcalf stated it is important for the management team to spread these items and decide how they can go to the most number of departments and categorize their top issues. Commissioner Eckbert addressed the need to focus on the good that can come from effective lobbying. He stated it was important to actively manage the lobbyists and they needed to ensure that the lobbyists follow through with the priorities they lay out.

Mayor Strong suggested one of the Commissioner’s meet with the Federal lobbyist monthly. Commissioner Eckbert suggested a teleconference monthly. Commissioners Metcalf and DeVane volunteered to meet with the Federal lobbyist in Washington periodically.
Commissioner DeVane asked Mr. Wiggins when he meets with Mr. Davenport to add the Saint Andrews ditch and the red light issue to the capital improvement project listing. Mayor Strong addressed the red light issue being a State issue. Commissioner DeVane explained it as both a State and Federal issue and they should ask for funding. Commissioner Metcalf mentioned speaking with a City resident who commented that there was 4 billion dollars for Wireless Fidelity (Wi-Fi). Commissioner Metcalf stated this was something they need to look at because it fits directly with the AMR Touch Read Meter and with a project they already started.

Motion made by Commissioner Metcalf to extend the contract for the Federal lobbyist for the fiscal year with more oversight and more variety, seconded by Commissioner Eckbert and carried unanimously.

f) Revision of budget calendar.

Assistant City Manager Knight presented three options to reschedule the Fire Department Service Level Review. Commissioner DeVane asked that the Commission be provided the presentations early which will allow them to review the information. Commissioner DeVane suggested the departments streamline their presentations and set time limits.

There was a consensus for option 3 on November 20 and the other presentations will be pushed back with the addition of another meeting on January 29, 2006. Mayor Strong stated he will be out of town on November 20 but there will be a quorum.

NEW BUSINESS (PUBLIC):

1. Lurline Fletcher, 790 Lyman Avenue, complained about street closures throughout the City due to construction and noise from cement trucks.

2. Carolyn Cooper, 1047 McKean Circle, asked which comprehensive plan will govern the Carlisle, the 1991 existing or the October 23, 2006 one to be submitted. City Attorney Cheek addressed giving his answer at a later date.

3. Sandy Womble, 940 Old England, spoke about the news editorials regarding Mr. Hal Kantor. She asked that he be removed from all boards within the City. She read from documents dated 2001 and 2004 regarding comments made on the Economic Development Advisory Board regarding various projects. Mayor Strong asked Mr. Cheek at the next meeting to explain the proper procedures on how a board member is removed from an advisory board.

4. Antoinette Foley, 1270 Lakeview Drive, provided newspaper articles for the record concerning Mr. Kantor. She asked that he be removed until certain questions can be answered.

5. Tom Bates, Bates Driscoll Construction, Inc., 1351 Chestnut Avenue, spoke against the residential service underground fees concerning the electric utility. He believed the residents of Winter Park should pay these underground fees and not the builders. He addressed this being an unfair policy and he would appeal it. Electric Department Director Don McBride addressed the necessity of the fee and why it was put into place. Mayor Strong suggested Mr. Bates appeal this with the Utility Advisory Board and have them justify why the fees are set that way and if Mr. Bates is not satisfied, he can bring it back to the Commission. Mr. Bates concurred and stated that would be his next step.

6. John Gigliotti, 2233 Azalea Place, spoke against the fees charged to the builders to pay for electric equipment such as grids and transformers. Mayor Strong inquired about the
Commission receiving a Utilities Advisory Board report by the end of the year. Mr. Knight stated the Commission would receive the report.

7. Michael Dick, 823 Granville Drive, asked that an ordinance be adopted to allow a voter referendum be held concerning the right to vote on commuter rail. Mayor Strong asked Mr. Cheek to prepare a proposed ordinance for consideration at the next meeting.

8. Guy Colado, 327 Beloit Avenue, addressed Mr. Kantor’s admittance of certain issues concerning the Mayor and City. He asked that he be removed from all boards.

9. Beth Dillaha, 1801 Forrest Road, addressed the City’s PD Overlay ordinance and asked that this ordinance be repealed and that a new one be written for consideration. Commissioner DeVane asked that this be on the next agenda. Mayor Strong stated it needed to be on the P&Z Commission agenda first. Commissioner Eckbert asked about the implication of the PD Overlay repeal without other ordinances being on the books. Mayor Strong stated once they have feedback from P&Z, Mr. Briggs can address Commissioner Eckbert’s questions and concerns. Commissioner Eckbert proposed a modification to the request and that the P&Z consider the PD Overlay and recommend what they think is the most appropriate way to address this, rather than requesting they repeal it. Commissioner DeVane asked that P&Z have a discussion to keep it as is, rewrite it or get rid of it.

10. Sharon Strong, 155 Stovin Avenue, addressed the petitions signed last year concerning conflicts of interest and the desire of the citizens to remove certain members of the comprehensive plan task force and others that appear to have a conflict of interest be removed from any board of committee.

11. Bill Rosenfelt, 1400 New York Avenue, asked that the City encourage the involvement of the FBI and someone to assist the State Attorney regarding the allegations made in the newspaper concerning Mr. Kantor.

12. Margie Wagner, 4094 Oak Street, Orlando, asked to remove Mr. Kantor from all boards. She endorsed the PD overlay repeal. Ms. Wagner also asked on behalf of Carolyn Cooper when they would have an answer regarding the comprehensive plan & the Carlisle. Attorney Cheek stated no later than the next Commission meeting.

No further public comments were made.
NEW BUSINESS (CITY COMMISSION):

1. Commissioner DeVane asked about the status of the Ethics Task Force. She was advised that they are just getting started and there is nothing to report at this time.

2. Commissioner DeVane spoke about being asked to meet with some of the principles involved with the Carlisle; she did not attend the shade meeting and wanted clarification on whether that is something we are now doing or if they are operating through the Mayor. Mayor Strong stated the mediation had been suspended. Attorney Cheek stated it is a strategic decision based on the Commission and they could have a point person if they wanted to, this would be the normal course of events. Commissioner DeVane explained she did not want to meet with someone and place their conversation in jeopardy or have it result in a lawsuit.

3. Commissioners Eckbert and Metcalf addressed corrections to page 18, of the September 25, 2006 minutes. The minutes will be amended to reflect the changes.

The Commission meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Mayor David C. Strong

[Signature]
City Clerk Cynthia Bonham