



**City of Palm Coast
Minutes
CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP**

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**Mayor Milissa Holland
Vice Mayor Robert G. Cuff
Council Member Steven Nobile
Council Member Nick Klufas
Council Member Heidi Shipley**

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

9:00 AM

COMMUNITY WING

City Staff

**Jim Landon, City Manager
William Reischmann, City Attorney
Virginia A. Smith, City Clerk**

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A CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Holland called the meeting to order at 9:00 am

B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

C ROLL CALL

Ms. Settle called the roll. All members were present.

D PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Celia Pugliese expressed her concerns regarding Florida Park Drive. She requested an update regarding the replanting of trees on Palm Coast Parkway.

Vince Ligouri expressed his concern regarding the fee for attending the State of the City. He spoke of the former Home Rule Committee and Electric Utility Tax. He brought attention to a possible code violation caused by an estate sale in his neighborhood.

Jon Netts was also concerned about the issues on Florida Park Drive. He referred to Council Member Shipley's comments regarding a meeting with the Florida Park Drive residents. He asked for a the date of the meeting and those in attendance.

In response to Ms. Pugliese's request for an update regarding replanting the trees on Palm Coast Parkway, Mr. Landon let her know that the trees were ordered but the delivery had been delayed..

Council Member Cuff asked if the City would be grinding the tree stumps. Mr. Landon responded in the affirmative.

In response to Mr. Nett's request for date and time of the meeting Council Member Shipley had with residents of Florida Park Drive, Council Member Shipley indicated that she meets with residents all the time.

E PRESENTATIONS

1 PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL INVESTMENT REPORT

Mr. Landon gave an overview of the item. Scott Sticher of PFM presented the investment report of the City to Council.

Mayor Holland: As far as the cash flow, we are talking about an operational budget, how many months do we put ourselves in that bracket where were comfortable with is it six months? three months? Ans: Ms. Alves - We have our fund balance reserve for operational funds and it is anywhere from 20% and typically those funds are not held with a long-term portfolio, they are held with something more short-term so we can cover our operations. Ans: Mr. Landon - I want to point out, obviously we have that big chunk of property tax that comes in, we have never had any problem with cash flow as far as getting through the first of the budget year til we start seeing that revenue come in. It speaks to the strength of our finances. It is not true for everyone in government but we are one of those that we have never had to have bridge loan to get through.

Mayor Holland: So you are saying you feel confident regardless of the conversations undergoing on the Federal Government that this is not going to impact our investments locally? Ans Mr. Sticher - There could be some near term volatility but we try not to trade on rhetoric. We try not to trade on short term market moves. We focus more on trends and the global picture.

CM Nobile. We know what the bond returns generally are but there are credit returns what do they look like? Ans: Mr. Sticher - As you might expect, you should be rewarded on taking on additional risk. More recently, spreads have narrowed so you are not being rewarded as much as you would like.

CM Nobile: Over the last two years, has the risk been outweighed by the returns. Ans: Mr. Sticher - Absolutely. After you have been rewarded for being in that space.

2 PRESENTATION - STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN EVALUATION

Mr. Landon gave a brief overview of the item. Denise Bevan presented SAP action plan results. She thanked Council for their input.

VM Cuff: I know we discussed the suitability of the Tennis Center property for this type of operation. But given the stage of the plan for this are, are we saying we are committing to the Tennis Center or is this investigation and exploration of developing this center going to include the possibility of additional sites. I know we own the land by the Tennis Center and it looks like a good place for it but are we also going to investigate other places to put it? I don't have a place in mind.

CM Nobile: I would like Town Center. Ans: Mr. Landon - We can make it more generic, as far as, first stage would be identify where we might look.

VM Cuff: My comment on this item is this makes it like, now we have the land and the next step is we come up with a site plan and specifications for this. I understand the benefits that that location has if we are talking about the innovation of Town Center, which is all exclusively private property currently. I think it limits our opportunities, perhaps, for a land exchange or an inquiry of another property that might be suitable. Ans: Mr. Landon - Denise can come up with some language that does not tie it down.

3 DISCUSSION- FLORIDA PARK DRIVE

Council Member Shipley reported the residents of Florida Park Drive felt the main issue of the residents is to try and limit people cutting through. The group agreed that they would like to put stop signs on Florida Park Drive, perhaps two to start, to see if it would deter people from speeding down Florida Park Drive and using it as a cut through.

CM Nobile: We are talking about stops signs at intersecting streets somewhere? Sound like it could be a deterrent, not for people who live there.

Mayor Holland: My concern with that is we have residents that are going to have to wait for the traffic to move because of back-ups at stop signs. Right now it flows.

CM Nobile: I don't think a stop sign will cause a back up, a light might. A stop sign will not cause a back up. What we are hoping is that we will lessen the traffic. I don't see a back-up happening.

CM Klufas: Are we worried about traffic or pollution? By putting a stop sign in, it increases emissions by nine times.

CM Nobile: We want to try and reduce the noise and the pollution in the area. Over the last three years, we have come up with more things than I can shake a stick at and none of them get done. And it doesn't get done because we don't want to do it.

CM Shipley: I think we just start with two and see if it makes a difference.

VM Cuff: I think Nick's concerns are well placed. I am not sure and I am not opposed to trying it. I know we hear about it constantly as a problem. I would like to be responsive. I don't think two stops signs will be close enough to deter the kind of traffic levels but I am not a traffic engineer. Florida Park Drive's problem

is, it is a long through road that connects two through roads. I think we need to be careful if we put up enough stop signs on it to have the impact on the traffic numbers that we are going to find, and we will need to be sensitive to it, measure the level of pollution from emissions which is the other thing we keep hearing.

Mr. Landon: Stops signs, by law, you have to do a warrant study to install them. There are technical requirements by law as to where they can go, just like a traffic signal. If Council wants to look at this, the first step is to have staff review it by a warrant study. If they are not warranted and you put them up and there is an accident and there will be because that is when you have accidents at intersections with stop signs. The City then has a lot of liability. There is some legal ramifications we just need to be aware of when we start installing traffic devices that do not meet the code. I would suggest doing a warrant study.

VM Nobile: The other thing is to look at other types of signals. Not signalling but signage. We drove up there the other night and there is a speed limit sign that shows your speed limit and it is broken. It is not working. We have to get the speed down.

Mr. Landon: Traffic devices, like that, by law have certain criteria that we have to follow. There are studies you do and things. To put a stop sign where it doesn't belong can also cause a safety issue. People don't anticipate it. You don't want to create unintended consequences.

CM Cuff: Obviously we have a consensus to have staff and I assume that is our traffic engineer, to look at the requirements for a stop sign approach. I am very concerned that there are not enough stop signs to do what the residents want it to do, which is to inhibit traffic. We have to do something.

Mr. Landon - We can dust off the proposal we presented to City Council a few years ago. We had an engineer proposal to look at Florida Park Drive comprehensively. City Council, at the time, rejected the proposal and said that they did not want to pursue that because of the costs. We have had the proposal in the past. If that is what you want to do, we can dust it off. We may have to go back out and get a request for proposal.

CM Shipley: Can we put that on the Strategic Action Plan? Can we do the study and bushes in front of the homes?

CM Nobile: We can add looking at that proposal again?

Mr. Landon: Do you want it to be combined or do you want two separate items?

Ms. Bevan suggested two separate items.

F WRITTEN ITEMS

4 RESOLUTION 2018-XX APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE FLAGLER COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS FOR THE 2018 CITY ELECTIONS

Mr. Landon gave a brief overview of the item.

CM Nobile: When would they have an idea as to what the costs would be? Ans: Mr. Landon - She has talked to her about that . . . we can send something to you. I can give you an update as to what the estimate is possibly or give the you the range. Nothing is firm at this time.

5 RESOLUTION 2018-XX APPROVING A WORK ORDER WITH MCKIM & CREED, INC., FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE PUMP STATION "D" IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.

Mr. Landon gave an overview of the item.

6 RESOLUTION 2018-XX AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE EAST FLAGLER MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT LOW LEVEL FLIGHTS AUTHORIZATION

Mr. Landon gave an overview of the item.

7 RESOLUTION 2018-XX APPROVING ONE-YEAR PRICE AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL LAND SERVICES FOR DEBRIS DISPOSAL SERVICES

Mr. Landon gave a brief overview of the item.

G PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Steve Carr thanked Council for discussing Florida Park Drive.

H DISCUSSION BY CITY COUNCIL OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No Comments

I DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No comments

J DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Landon reported on a proposed development located at the Aviation Drive and SR 100. The County has indicated that because of the length of the City's permitting and development process, the development could not be completed in a timely manner and therefore, would not be annexing into the City of Palm Coast. At a meeting on April 9, 2018 the County and the developer were presented with a transition plan from the City that would have the developer through the permitting process by the middle of May.

Prior to the April 9 meeting, the developer had approached the County to extend their water and sewer lines from the airport to the property to be developed. The

County would not be charging the developer transportation impact fees. If the development were to receive water and sewer from the City of Palm Coast, the developer would be required to annex the property and be charged transportation impact fees from the City. The impact fees were estimated to be within the range of \$150,000-\$180,000.

There are two interlocal agreements approved by City Council and the Board of County Commissioners. In 2007, a Utility Service Agreement which delineates the areas which each government entity will provide water and sewer and in 2015, an interlocal agreement (referred to as the Airport Agreement) which requires the County to adhere to the City's development standards. The property is within the City's service area to provide water and sewer and is within the area referred to in the Airport Agreement.

City Council directed the City Manager and the City Attorney to keep the lines of communication open with Flagler County and to take the necessary steps to enforce the Interlocal Agreements approved by City Council and the Board of County Commissioners.

Food Truck Tuesday schedule for April 17.

K ADJOURNMENT

*The meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m.
Respectfully Submitted,
Kate Settle, Deputy City Clerk*