



MINUTES
WORKSHOP CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 17, 2000 AT 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, 116 FIRST STREET
NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA

Pursuant to proper notice a Workshop Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held April 17, 2000 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida.

Attendance:

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor George F. Vaughn, Jr.	City Clerk Lisa Volpe, CMC
Vice Mayor Edward S. Jones	Deputy City Clerk Karla Strait
Councilor Ronald Patronik	Director of Finance John Herbst
Councilor Robert D. Shimp	Assistant to the Building Official Piper Turner
Councilor Thomas A. Tankersley	ABSENT:
City Manager Richard A. Linn	City Attorney Christopher A. White

Call to Order/Roll Call The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

IBBC **ISH BRANT BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE UPDATE:** City Manager Linn reported that the Ish Brant Beautification Committee had chosen a yard of the month, received plans for the medians on Third Street and held working meetings in the Butterfly Garden.

CITY MANAGERS PUNCH LIST

Roadway Between Shopping Centers **ROADWAY BETWEEN SHOPPING CENTERS:** City Manager Linn announced that the road way between the shopping centers was in negotiations with Smith and Gillespie on a proposal for engineering.

Bike Path **BIKE PATH FLORIDA BOULEVARD AND PENMAN ROAD:** Mr. Linn explained that he had spoken with Sally Roiser with the Department of Transportation and requested a rough sketch from the consultant outlining the plan for the proposed bike path.

Naval Air Show **NAVAL AIR SHOW:** City Manager Linn announced that the Naval Air Show had been named "The First Coast Air and Sea Spectacular" and was scheduled for November of 2001, but it still needed approval from the military.

Disadvantaged Small Community Grant **DISADVANTAGED SMALL COMMUNITY GRANT:** City Manager Linn reported that he was concerned over state legislation's attempt to dissolve the Disadvantaged Small Community Grant. Mr. Linn felt that was our best opportunity to receive grant money for the capital project of the infrastructure and asked council to express their displeasure.

PROPOSED ORDINANCES/NONE**CONTRACT/AGREEMENTS**

Duval Beaches
Regional Sewer

AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT CREATING THE DUVAL BEACHES REGIONAL SEWER AUTHORITY: City Manager Linn explained that Neptune Beach was an equal partner, in a "Joint Effluent Outfall Interlocal Agreement", with Jacksonville Beach and Atlantic Beach, that created the "Duval Beaches Regional Sewer Utility", dated August 16, 1984. Mr. Linn stated that the agreement needed to be amended due to an increase in plant capacity.

Consensus: **FORWARD THE AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT EFFLUENT OUTFALL INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT TO THE MAY 1, 2000, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CONSENT AGENDA.**

Commercial Waste
Disposal Units

PILOT PROJECT FOR COMMERCIAL WASTE DISPOSAL UNITS: City Manager Linn explained that the city had problems with odor, vectors and unsightliness with the commercial garbage containers provided by BFI. Mr. Linn recommended a 12 month pilot project to include seven new units that would be installed underground in the Central Business District and after 12 months assessing the feasibility of phasing in the new style containers citywide.

Consensus: **MOVE THE PILOT PROJECT FOR COMMERCIAL WASTE DISPOSAL UNITS FORWARD TO THE CONSENT AGENDA HAVING THE CITY MANAGER WORK IN THAT THE PRO RATA SHARE ON THE COST WOULD BE BORNE BY THE BUSINESSES.**

ISSUE DEVELOPMENT

Water/Wastewater
Alternatives

DISCUSSION OF WATER/WASTEWATER ALTERNATIVES: John Jolly, CPA and Steven Emery, CPA of Jacksonville Electric Authority gave a presentation on the possibility of purchasing our water and sewer utility.

Consensus: **TO ALLOW JACKSONVILLE ELECTRIC AUTHORITY TO DO A FACT FINDING STUDY TO DETERMINE IF THE PURCHASE OF THE WATER AND SEWER UTILITY WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO BOTH JACKSONVILLE ELECTRIC AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH**

Town Center Traffic
Light

TOWN CENTER TRAFFIC LIGHT AT THE CORNER OF ATLANTIC BOULEVARD AND FIRST STREET: City Manager Linn asked council to consider the need for replacing the suspended traffic control signal at the intersection of First Street and Atlantic Boulevard with post mounted signals.

Consensus: **TO SUPPORT THE POST MOUNTED TRAFFIC SIGNALS PROVIDED THAT THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH DID NOT PAY FOR THEM.**

Summer Sands Traffic
Light

TRAFFIC LIGHT AT ATLANTIC BOULEVARD AND BRANT DRIVE ENTRANCE INTO SUMMER SANDS SUBDIVISION: Mayor Vaughn announced that he had received a letter from the Board of Directors of Summer Sands Homeowners Association requesting that council reconsider support for a traffic light at the entrance to the Summer Sands Subdivision. Mayor Vaughn stated that he had prepared a Resolution in support of the traffic light and asked the council to endorse it.

Consensus: **FORWARD THE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A TRAFFIC LIGHT AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE SUMMER SANDS SUBDIVISION TO THE MAY 1, 2000, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR RATIFICATION.**

Public Comments

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Lehman L. McDonald, 1140 Florida Boulevard, expressed concern about the aging infrastructure of the public utilities. Mr. McDonald stated that a Media One employee told him that the city had agreed to share the cost of repairs for damages done to utilities because the city could not provide accurate maps for utility lines. Mr. McDonald asked if this statement was true.

Mayor Vaughn asked Mr. Linn if he would like to respond.

City Manager Linn responded that no one had made any commitment to Media One for sharing anything and that there was no such agreement. Mr. Linn added that Media One was paying 100% of all damages.

Lehman L. McDonald questioned where the detail maps for public utilities were located.

City Manager Linn responded that the city did not have maps for some areas of the community that were built back in the 20's and 30's.

Lehman L. McDonald asked Council to look into the cities non-department head employee's salaries to find out if they were equal to other city employees while they were renegotiating the City Manager's contract.

Michael P. Aston, 1523 Summer Sands Drive, thanked Council for their efforts to install a traffic light at the entrance to the Summer Sands subdivision.

Harriet Pruette, 2171/2 Magnolia Street, thanked council for their efforts to install a traffic light at the entrance to Summer Sands subdivision and commented on the investigation of the Sewer Plant and the possible J.E.A. takeover. Ms. Pruette questioned the proposal of the pilot program for waste.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40p.m.

George F. Vaughn, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Lisa Volpe, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: _____