

**CITY OF VERO BEACH, FLORIDA  
MAY 5, 2015 9:30 A.M.  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA**

The invocation was given by Pastor Shelly Satran of Our Savior Lutheran followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**A. Roll Call**

Mayor Richard Winger, present; Vice Mayor, Jay Kramer, present; Councilmember Pilar Turner, present; Councilmember Amelia Graves, present and Councilmember Randy Old, present **Also Present:** James O'Connor, City Manager; Wayne Coment, City Attorney and Tammy Vock, City Clerk

**2. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

**A. Agenda Additions, Deletions, and Adoption**

Mrs. Tammy Vock, City Clerk, removed item 2C-3) from the agenda.

Mrs. Turner made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Ms. Graves seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**B. Proclamations**

**1. Historic Preservation Month**

Ms. Graves read and presented the Proclamation.

**2. Mental Health Awareness Month**

Mrs. Turner read and presented the Proclamation.

**3. Relay for Life Day – May 9, 2015**

Mr. Kramer read and presented the Proclamation.

**4. National Police Week- May 10-16, 2015**

Mr. Old read and presented the Proclamation.

**C. Public Comment**

**1. Ms. Debra Atwell, Historic Preservation Commission member, to discuss the City of Vero Beach's Historic Designation Plaque**

Ms. Debra Atwell, Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) member, gave a presentation on historic signs. She showed the historic preservation sign that is located at Dodgertown. She showed what some State signs looked like and what some National plaques looked like (all photos on file in the City Clerk's office).

Mrs. Ruth Stanbridge, County Historian, went over the time and effort that has to be put in, in order to get a sign designated.

Mrs. Anna Brady, Chairman of the HPC, explained that the Committee that reviews these signs are made up of Committee members who reside throughout the whole State of Florida.

Ms. Atwell showed some Spanish coins that the HPC agreed that they would use as their guidelines for the plaque. She showed what the design will look like. She felt that this would be something that people would enjoy and take great pride in seeing. She said when a community develops their own design and utilizes it they become a badge of honor.

Mrs. Brady added that it was the consensus of the HPC to use this symbol.

Ms. Atwell showed another Spanish coin that had a cross on it and explained the reason for the cross. She showed pictures of some of the houses that would qualify to display this plaque at their home. She said that she would be sending a formal request to the Council for the money needed for these plaques and hopes that it could be budgeted. She said there is a fabrication fee and then after that the plaques will cost around \$200.00. She said the City would pay the costs of the casting fees and the interested property owners will purchase the plaques themselves. The City will have plaques placed at three (3) different City owned locations.

Mrs. Brady expressed that the price would be around \$100 for people who wanted to purchase a bronze plaque.

**2. Presentation of Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2014 – Mr. Ron Conrad, Cherry Bekaert LLP**

Ms. Cindy Lawson, Finance Director, reported that the Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability decreased by almost \$20 million dollars and the funded pension plans have improved. She said that 67% of the plan is being funded, which is up 5% from last year. She said on May 14<sup>th</sup> the Finance Commission will have a more in depth discussion of the Audit and the CAFR.

Mrs. Turner commented that she was happy to see that OPEB liability has gone down. She asked Ms. Lawson to explain how they were able to make this drastic reduction.

Ms. Lawson explained that the City made available a Medicare supplement plan for people (retired employees) over 65. She said in going forward when people hit the age of 65 it will be mandatory.

Mrs. Turner commended the City for implementing this option as a way to save money.

Ms. Lawson thanked her Finance Department staff for all of their hard work. She said without them these financial audits would not be possible.

Mr. Ron Conrad, of Cherry Bekaert, presented an overview of the CAFR. He said the first section contains an Introductory Section and then the next section is a Financial Section. In the auditors report as described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the City adopted Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards (GASB Statement) No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans*, during the year ended September 30, 2014. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period and GASB 68 will be adopted by the City this coming year. The most sensitive estimates affecting the City's financial statements were allowances for uncollective accounts, other postemployment benefits, pension obligations, etc. Management's estimates of OPEB and pension obligations are based on actuarial valuations of such costs by actuarial firms. He said what is going to happen with GASB 68 is they will look at how much they owe all the employees in the pension plan and what the assets are in the plan, what they ultimately owe, and the difference will be the liability. He said after the independent report there is the management analysis, which shows that the City is in a good financial position. In the financial statements themselves they are followed by different note disclosures. There are a number of reports followed by the financial statements because the State of Florida requires that. He said because the City gets grants there are single grant audits and some of the administrative requirements have been changed. He mentioned a new report, which is the investment compliance report. He concluded by saying there are no issues or anything unusual with the audit.

Mr. Old agreed that the financial budgeting is done very well. He asked if there were any financial goals that the City should be aiming for.

Mr. Conrad stated that when looking at the ratios they are in good shape in respect to their financials. The big items are the Electric Utilities and FEMA. Hopefully the outstanding appeal with FEMA will be resolved soon.

Mrs. Turner thanked Mr. Conrad and his staff for conducting their first audit with the City and appreciated his Firms' efforts in working with staff.

### **3. Attorney Schef Wright to discuss Utility matters**

This item was removed from the agenda at the request of the applicant.

Mr. David Hunter, 3702 Eagle Drive, attended today's meeting to give Council some good news. He said the efforts they have been making over the last four and five months are starting to show up as positive results. He thanked the Police Department on what they are doing now in enforcing the City's zoning code. They are starting to see results with the new \$500 fines being implemented. He said by writing some of these citations results have been achieved. He has noticed on the internet that some people who used to advertise as having weekly rentals are now saying monthly rentals. He complimented 32963 on an excellent article they wrote on short term rentals. The article managed to bring attention to the public that the City is not tolerating this activity. He congratulated all of them for their efforts, but expressed that they still needed to keep on top of this.

### **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **1. Regular City Council Minutes – April 21, 2015**

Mrs. Turner made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Mr. Old seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **4. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

#### **A) ORDINANCES**

- 1) An Ordinance of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, Abandoning the East one half of Lot 24, Block 22, Royal Park, Plat No. 4, 584 Royal Palm Place, as recorded in Plat Book 5, at Page 30, of the Public Records of St. Lucie County, said lands now lying and being in Indian River County, Florida, retaining a Utility Easement; Providing for Conflict and Severability; Providing for an Effective Date. – Requested by the Public Work's Director (Final Public Hearing)**

Mrs. Vock read the Ordinance by title only.

Mr. Jim O'Connor, City Manager, recommended approval of the abandonment of the 25 foot wide right of way. The property owner will now own the right of way and will be responsible to maintain it.

Mr. Kramer opened and closed the public hearing at 10:39 a.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

Mrs. Turner made a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Ms. Graves seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 with Mr. Old voting yes, Ms. Graves yes, Mrs. Turner yes, Mr. Kramer yes, and Mayor Winger yes.

- 2) An Ordinance of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, Requested by IGA Development LLC, Amending the Official Zoning Map by Changing the Zoning District designation of POI, Professional Office and Institutional**

**District, to C-1, Highway Oriented Commercial District, for property located at 833 20<sup>th</sup> Street, Lot 22, less the West 18.5 feet, and Parcel 121, less the Northerly 20 feet, Gifford Estate Subdivision, containing .88 acre, more or less; Providing for an Effective Date.**

Mr. Kramer read the Ordinance by title only. He explained that this was a quasi-judicial hearing and he would be following the order on how they handle quasi-judicial hearings.

The City Clerk swore in all witnesses testifying at today's meeting.

The City Council disclosed that none of them had any ex parte communications.

Mr. Tim McGarry, Planning and Development Director, reported that the applicant is requesting to rezone the .88 acre property located at 833 20<sup>th</sup> Street. He showed on the screen where the property is located. He said the existing site is vacant and is located in the vicinity of a mix of offices, restaurants, retail, legal, and other uses as well as vacant land. Properties to the north across 20<sup>th</sup> Street are zoned C-1 and includes a mix of professional offices and accessory parking facilities. To the east, properties are also zoned C-1 including the abutting property with a vacant office building a florist shop, a used auto-dealer, a fast food restaurant and accessory parking along US Highway 1. To the south, the two vacant properties are zoned MXD, Mixed Use District. To the west, properties are zoned POI and include an office, a residence, and vacant land. The property is located approximately 275 feet west of US Highway 1. The average daily traffic is 8,577 vehicles on this segment of SR 60. Mr. McGarry stated in reviewing the application the change request is related to the prospective purchase and development of the subject property and one of the two properties to the east of the subject property. The neighboring parcel to the east is currently zoned C-1 and has been improved with a commercial structure. The applicant is seeking to purchase this property to allow for use of the current structure as a restaurant and to utilize the remaining land to expand the parking and infrastructure serving the existing building and to allow for the construction of improvements that are otherwise allowed in the C-1 zoning district. There are no changes in the circumstances concerning the property or the neighborhood that are driving this request. In fact, the future land use designation for this property is MX (Mixed Use), which contemplates a "mixture of residential and commercial uses, which may be located in the same building." The change from POI to C-1 is consistent with the future land designation and the neighborhood since the property is surrounded on two sides by C-1 properties. Mr. McGarry finds that the requested amendment to the Zoning Map is consistent with the goals, objectives, and policies of the Comprehensives Plan and Land Development Regulations and zoning district standards. On March 19, 2015, the Planning and Zoning Board held a public hearing to consider the request. Based on the testimony at that hearing and staff's recommendations, the Board unanimously voted to approve the rezoning. He said the applicant is present for today's meeting. He talked to the applicant who elected not to make a presentation because he felt it was not necessary.

Mr. Kramer opened and closed the public hearing at 10:38 a.m., with no one wishing to be heard. The applicant who was present for the meeting had no comments to make.

Mrs. Turner made a motion that the City Council finds that the following facts presented and reviewed here are competent substantial evidence to grant the Ordinance/application. Mr. Old seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 with Mr. Old voting yes, Ms. Graves yes, Mrs. Turner yes, Mr. Kramer yes, and Mayor Winger yes.

Mr. O'Connor reported that Mr. McGarry will be contracting out and hiring someone on a part time basis to help him with the work that needs to be done to update the City's Comprehensive Plan.

**B) RESOLUTIONS**

**5. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING BY TITLE  
(FUTURE PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED)**

**6. CITY CLERK'S MATTERS**

**A) Opening on the Police Pension Board**

Mrs. Vock reported that there is an opening on the Police Pension Board and they have received an application from Mrs. Amy Yeitter who would like to serve on the Board.

Mayor Winger noted that Mrs. Yeitter did serve as the Administrator of the Plan and wondered if there were any conflicts if she was to now serve as a member on the Board.

Mr. Coment did not see any ethical or legal issues with having her serve as a member on the Board.

Mrs. Turner made a motion to appoint Mrs. Amy Yeitter to the Police Pension Board. Mayor Winger seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ms. Graves asked about the workshop scheduled for May 21<sup>st</sup> and requested that Council sit at the round table. Council agreed with sitting at the table during the workshop.

**7. CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS**

**A) Indian River County Lagoon Coalition Interlocal Agreement**

Mr. O'Connor reported that the Indian River County Lagoon Coalition Interlocal Agreement, if passed, will allow the cities in Indian River County to have representation on the Indian River Lagoon Council. He said at this point they did not know if Indian River Shores will be a part of the Coalition.

Mr. Richard Gilmore, Mayor of the City of Sebastian, commented that he went to the last meeting that the Indian River Lagoon Council had and they presented their work plan, which consisted of \$600,000 to be allocated and they only received 14 requested grants

from different entities and Indian River County was not one of those entities. He said the City of Sebastian received \$24,000 in grant money for the oyster mat project. He expressed the importance in lieu of the County's representation that the cities in Indian River County request some of this funding. He said there will be more projects to fund. He was excited to see this getting off the ground. He said it is going to take a lot of money to fix the Lagoon and it will be a long process. He felt that there was a good chance of them getting a seat on the Indian River Lagoon Council. He explained that if the County changes their mind and wants to take their seat on the Indian River Lagoon Council then the cities would bow out. He felt that the Coalition has value even if the County opts in. He explained by having the Coalition they will be able to track what the County is doing and that they are requesting funds for Indian River County. He explained the Coalition would prioritize their projects on what they would like to see done and pass on these recommendations to the staff of the Indian River Lagoon Council who makes the decisions. He said on the Indian River Lagoon Council there are five (5) Elected Officials and three (3) different agencies who are voting members.

Mayor Winger felt that this was a good agreement and it was imperative that they pass it. He explained for the public, the cost to be a member of the Indian River Lagoon Council is \$50,000 and the cities would split the cost and each would pay their share. He said the Coalition Chairperson will be the Coalition's representative to the Indian River Lagoon Council and attend each of its meetings. The Coalition Vice-Chairperson shall represent the Coalition in the absence of the Chairperson. An alternate representative may be designated by the members to represent the Coalition at the Indian River Lagoon Council if the Chairperson or Vice-chairperson is not available. He said for the City this would be another Committee appointment from this Council for one of them to serve on the Coalition.

Mayor Gilmore added he hoped by the beginning of October that the Coalition will know if they have been granted a seat on the Indian River Lagoon Council.

Mayor Winger pointed out that at this time if this Interlocal Agreement passes then the City of Sebastain and the City of Vero Beach will have passed the agreement and Fellsmere will discuss it at their Council meeting next week. He said by the beginning of June everyone who would like to be a member of the Coalition should be represented. He envisions this Board to meet quarterly.

Mayor Winger made a motion to approve the Indian River County Lagoon Coalition Interlocal Agreement.

Mrs. Turner commented that she was concerned about a large budget for personnel and the potential to set up another bureaucracy, which is the reason she will not be voting in favor of the agreement. She does support efforts to help the Lagoon and was instrumental in getting the Fertilizer Ordinance passed in the City of Vero Beach. As well as quantifying the City's nitrogen and phosphorus loading of the Lagoon.

Mayor Gilmore agreed that there will be a budget of \$600,000 and \$300,000 of that will probably be spent on personnel. He said that most of the \$600,000 has been funded.

Mayor Winger mentioned that last year this County did not get any of that money. He is interested in doing whatever is necessary to help the Lagoon and believes that the money will be paid back in many folds. He supports everyone's efforts in having a seat on the Indian River Lagoon Council.

Ms. Graves commented that it is unfortunate that the County does not want to participate and have a seat on the Indian River Lagoon Council. However, it has opened up an opportunity for the cities of this County to work together. She appreciated all of Mayor Gilmore's help in putting this together and keeping them informed.

Mr. Kramer asked if the funding given out this year was done geographically. Mayor Gilmore answered yes and went over some of the places and projects that received the funding.

Mrs. Turner questioned what was the criteria for the cost effectiveness of these funds. She said seeing the returns is important for the Lagoon.

Mayor Gilmore hoped that more than 14 grants will be submitted in the future. He said because there were only 14 grants submitted that they were all funded. He commented if you don't ask for funding then you don't have a chance of getting any.

Mr. Old seconded the motion.

Mrs. Turner commented that it might turn out fine referring to her concerns with the administration of the Indian River Lagoon Council. However, she said that government has a tendency to grow. Her position would be to wait and see.

Mayor Winger's position was that the Lagoon is dying so they need to move full speed ahead.

The motion passed 4-1, with Mrs. Turner voting no.

## **B) Compliance Agreements as they apply to Vacation Rentals**

Mr. O'Connor reported that the City has gone back to the way they were working in the past in issuing short term rental citations. He said that there have been some issues that they have run into. He gave an example of some cottages that were being rented out as vacation rentals and the zoning where they are located is not correct. These people have made an application to change the zoning and will not be cited while this process is taking place. He said each case is being handled on a case by case basis. He said they continue watching the internet for these short term rentals to pop up and fines will continue to be issued. He mentioned the one case that is going to court and that Attorney

John Frost is handling that case. It was noted that they have not received the hearing date for the motion to dismiss this hearing.

**C) License and Construction Agreement – GoPlayVero at Humiston Park**

Mr. O'Connor reported that GoPlayVero is a non-profit organization who is raising funds for the construction of a community playground at Humiston Park. He said so far GoPlayVero has raised over \$200,000. The City is participating in this effort by constructing 2,500 square feet of sidewalk (\$21,000), 75 square feet of brick paver walkway (\$2,500) and providing 2,500 square feet of playground mulch (\$20,000). This license and construction agreement with GoPlayVero will allow them to install the playground equipment and shade structures at Humiston Park. Pictures were shown on what the playground equipment will look like.

Mrs. Kelly Dellaporta, GoPlayVero Chairman, commented on how all of this got started. She mentioned to the Recreation Director about the deterioration of the playground equipment at Humiston Park and offered to help and then the non profit organization GoPlayVero was formed. She said the organization has been successful in raising over \$250,000 in order to make this project a reality. This is an effort to enhance the playground and make it ADA compliant. The equipment there now is in the worse possible place it could be because of the salt. They will be replacing that equipment with new equipment and shade will be provided. They will also have eight (8) swing sets and shade will also be provided over the swing sets. She provided Council with the flyer that they have made available to the public outlining their project (on file in the Clerk's office).

Mr. O'Connor added that the cost of the mulch and sidewalk will be funded from the Whitaker Trust, which was to be used for Parks and playgrounds in the City of Vero Beach. The money used from this Trust will come from the interest that has been earned.

Mrs. Dellaporta mentioned that some of the money raised was by selling engraved bricks (information provided in the brochure).

Ms. Graves asked how long will construction take for the project.

Mrs. Dellaporta said that the equipment takes about six (6) weeks to get delivered and the installation of the equipment will take between two to three weeks.

Mr. Rob Slezak, Recreation Director, stated that GoPlayVero is an incredible group and people that care about this community. He said so much work has been put into this project and GoPlayVero is not done yet. They are looking at other playgrounds. He couldn't thank this group enough.

Mayor Winger opened up the item for public discussion at 11:26 a.m. and there was no one from the public that wanted to be heard.

Mayor Winger made a motion to accept the licensee and construction agreement and that the funding come from the Whitaker Trust fund. Ms. Graves seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ms. Graves recalled last year when they were talking about Union Negotiations the step plan was brought up and they were going to look at whether or not they were going to keep it in place. She felt if they have it then they need to be implementing it or else just not have it at all.

Mr. O'Connor explained that no Union Contract allows for bonuses to be given to someone based on their review. He would be happy to have the Human Resource's Department look at the step plan program.

Mrs. Turner asked Mr. O'Connor to give them an update on the mediation hearing that was held last Friday with the Town of Indian River Shores and the County.

Mr. O'Connor reported that the issue came up about Florida Power and Light (FPL) rates and he explained that the City would not be able to get to the rates that FPL charges their customers. He said that Indian River Shores has proposed that the City sell to FPL their portion of the system. The City has agreed to meet with FPL to discuss the matter. He said there are some real challenges in doing that like how they address the stranded costs moving forward. He said at the meeting Indian River Shores said that they will move forward with their lawsuit and plan to refile the case around May 15<sup>th</sup>. They have given the City more time in order for them to meet with FPL. He said they are now heading into the area of litigation.

Mayor Winger made it clear that he would never vote in favor for an agreement, including a partial sale that would be unfair to any group. He felt that the numbers presented to the City at the mediation hearing (please see attached) were an insult and he did receive an apology from the Indian River Shore's consultant who produced the analysis. In the analysis for the buyout that was presented to them there was a figure of \$3,000,000. He said a zero will need to be added to that figure because of their stranded costs. He would never entertain negotiating a short sale. He said if they don't get enough money from the sale then their other customers would have to pay for it and their rates would be increased. He doesn't see the amount of money that they need in order for this buyout to occur. At the meeting Mr. Wright said that they would have reasonable conversations and listen to all reasonable offers.

Mrs. Turner asked if there were any estimates of these so called stranded costs.

Mr. O'Connor said no. He said the City has not expended any money to address this. He said when both the City and FPL entered into the sale of the system they both understood that their ultimate goal was to try to sell the system. He said FPL has made it clear that they are uncomfortable with sharing substations.

Mayor Winger felt that it might be worth hiring a consultant to answer some of these questions. He reiterated that he could not support a low ball number. They have all tried to sell the utilities to FPL. The money offered to them by FPL was not enough to solve their problems. He wouldn't want to spend money on a consultant if the offer was low, but if they get a reasonable amount then maybe they should take the necessary steps of determining the stranded costs.

Mrs. Turner commented on the amount of money that is going to be spent if they enter into litigation.

Mr. O'Connor stated that there will be litigation (either with Indian River County or Indian River Shores).

Mrs. Turner stated in the OUC contract negotiations, if this gets presented to Council that she would like Council to be provided with a chart showing OUC's wholesale costs under the current contract agreement and under the proposed agreement. It needs to show where each of the agreements will end. The chart should have the basic wholesale rate, as well as a line for demand and peak power so they can have a comparison.

Mr. O'Connor explained that hopefully they would have some document by the beginning of next week. He said Mr. Wright will be attending the May 19<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting to address this.

## **8. CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS**

### **A) Ordinance allowing alcohol sales to 2:00 a.m.**

Mr. Kramer asked Mr. Coment because of the lawsuit with Indian River Shores, do they need to be careful with what they say to the public.

Mr. Coment said that anything they say can be used against the City.

Mr. Coment reported that last year at the urging of some merchants they changed the time that alcohol is allowed to be sold from 1:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. At that time, Council asked that this be brought back in six months and a report be given on whether or not they wanted to extend the expanded hours or let the provision lapse.

Mr. O'Connor added that the County also adopted allowing the sale of alcohol be extended to 2:00 a.m.

Mr. David Curry, Police Chief, provided Council with a report on how many calls they have received after 1:00 a.m. He said that the calls were not significant and he does not object to expanding the hours of selling alcohol to 2:00 a.m. He said there has not been a major increase in drunken driving arrests or other alcohol related problems since the later closing time was put in place.

Mr. Coment stated that if Council wants him to he will bring back an Ordinance removing the sunset language.

Mrs. Turner agreed with proceeding in that direction. She said it has been a boon to the businesses. She said if Chief Curry has not seen any burdens to the Police Department then they should move forward.

Mr. O'Connor commented that the City had one of its busiest winter seasons, with more visitors slimming the margin of incidents in the extra hour of alcoholic beverage sales.

It was the consensus of Council that the Ordinance be brought back to them removing the sunset language.

## **9. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS**

### **A. Old Business**

None

### **B. New Business**

None

## **10. INDIVIDUAL COUNCILMEMBERS' MATTERS**

### **A. Mayor Richard Winger's Matters**

- 1. Correspondence**
- 2. Committee Reports**
- 3. Comments**

Mayor Winger reported that he attended the ribbon cutting for the new Pavilion at Leisure Square and the grand opening for the new Audubon Society House.

### **B. Vice Mayor Jay Kramer's Matters**

- 1. Correspondence**
- 2. Committee Reports**
- 3. Comments**

Mr. Kramer reported that he also attended the ribbon cutting for the new Pavilion at Leisure Square and the grand opening for the new Audubon Society House. Last Saturday he attended the Relay for Life event that was held at the High School.

Mr. Kramer recalled at their last meeting, Mr. Paul Dritenbas gave a presentation on the master plan for the waterfront area near the Power Plant. The next step is to put out an RFQ to hire an Engineer to do the master plan. He felt that the Recreation Commission

should discuss this and give the Council some recommendations on what they would like to see in this area.

Mr. Old felt that was an excellent idea. He said if that area ever becomes open what goes in there could dramatically change what Vero is all about. He thought they might want to talk to the Land Trust Committee because they have done things similar to this with public property. He agreed with starting now because this is a long term project.

Mrs. Turner said that she would be happy to talk to the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council who have worked in different areas and see what guidance they can get from them.

Mr. Kramer stated the point is they need to start somewhere.

Ms. Graves agreed that this will give the opportunity for stakeholders to come forward.

Mr. Kramer expressed the importance of having people talk about this.

- C. Councilmember Pilar Turner's Matters**
  - 1. Correspondence**
  - 2. Committee Reports**
  - 3. Comments**

Mrs. Turner asked the Mayor for copies of the handout that was given at the mediation hearing. She then referred to the minutes of the last Marine Commission meeting where they were talking about creating a master plan for the MacWilliam Park area (minutes on file in the Clerk's office).

- D. Councilmember Amelia Graves' Matters**
  - 1. Correspondence**
  - 2. Committee Reports**
  - 3. Comments**

Ms. Graves thanked Everything Outdoors for donating the tree that was planted for Arbor Day. She also thanked the Florida League of Cities and the Clerk's office for making the arrangements for the recent Ethics Training class.

- E. Councilmember Randolph Old's Matters**
  - 1. Correspondence**
  - 2. Committee Reports**
  - 3. Comments**

Mr. Old reported that he attended the Arbor Day tree planting event and the grand opening of the Pavilion at Leisure Square.

Mayor Winger commented that long range planning is something that the Council needs to talk about. He has some problems in only planning for one year and feels they need to go further into the future.

Mr. O'Connor explained that at their May 21<sup>st</sup> workshop they will be presented with a five (5) year plan that has some costs built in. This will give Council the opportunity to look at long range planning and address those issues. He said it is just a function of money.

Mr. O'Connor reported that a meeting was recently held for the public to come in and review the draft Airport master plan. He said 50 people attended the meeting. Council will be updated on the master plan at their May 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

Today's meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

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