

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

April 15, 2003

7:00 p.m.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Atkinson

B. ROLL CALL – RETIRING COMMISSION:

Mayor Leon G. Atkinson	Present
Commissioner Stephanie Lavino	Present
Commissioner Irving S. Ellsworth Vice-Mayor	Present
Commissioner Mary Maloof	Present
Commissioner Barbara Blush	Present

C. MINUTES & ITEMS OF OLD BUSINESS:

Motion was made by Commissioner Lavino and seconded by Commissioner Ellsworth to approve the minutes from the meetings of April 1st and April 7th after noting that the "Sandsharing Project" should be changed to "Beach Erosion Control Trust Fund" and "Commissioner John Morroni" should be changed to "Representative John Carassas". Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

Motion was made by Commissioner Blush and seconded by Commissioner Ellsworth to accept the Canvassing Board Report of April 10, 2003. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

Commissioner Lavino commented on how much she enjoyed working with the residents of Treasure Island starting 23 years ago when she was appointed to the Planning & Zoning Board.

Mayor Atkinson commented that although he is planning to sell his house in Treasure Island, he will still be around for a while.

Mayor Atkinson presented Commissioner Lavino and Commissioner Maloof with plaques for their service as Commissioners.

D. INSTALLATION OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Ms. Mary Maloof was sworn in as Mayor, Mr. Phil Collins was sworn in as Commissioner of District 1 and Mr. Richard Kraus was sworn in as Commissioner of District 3 by Notary Bonnie Williams, former Treasure Island City Clerk.

Mayor Maloof presented Mayor Atkinson with a replica of the Treasure Island clock tower for his service as Mayor.

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E. ROLL CALL – NEW COMMISSION:

Mayor Mary Maloof	Present
Commissioner Phil Collins	Present
Commissioner Irving S. Ellsworth	Present
Commissioner Richard Kraus	Present
Commissioner Barbara Blush	Present

F. ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. Motion - Appointing Vice-Mayor –

Commissioner Blush and Commissioner Ellsworth nominated themselves for Vice-Mayor. Upon roll call, Commissioner Blush was elected as Vice-Mayor with the following vote:

Commissioner Collins	Commissioner Ellsworth
Commissioner Ellsworth	Commissioner Ellsworth
Commissioner Kraus	Commissioner Blush
Commissioner Blush	Commissioner Blush
Mayor Maloof	Commissioner Blush

2. Resolution – Signature Authority for Bank –

After hearing the reading of this resolution relative to signature authority to draw upon funds on deposit in the name of the City of Treasure Island, Florida and the access to safety deposit boxes rented in the name of the City of Treasure Island; authorizing the use of a signature facsimile; providing an effective date, motion was made by Commissioner Ellsworth and seconded by Commissioner Collins to approve the resolution as read. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

3. Annual Evaluation of City Manager –

Mayor Maloof asked the Commissioners to go through the evaluation form for the City Manager and be ready to review it at the meeting on Tuesday, April 22nd.

Mayor Maloof asked the City Manager about developing a form for the evaluation of the City Attorney.

City Manager Chuck Coward stated that the City Attorney should be involved with developing evaluation criteria since he is performing the job. The City Manager stated that he will plan to submit an evaluation form for the City Attorney by Tuesday, May 6th.

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4. Appointment to Vacant Seats on the Planning & Zoning Board and the Beautification Committee –

Mayor Maloof stated that she would like to see a section on the applications for applicants to list any special qualifications that individuals may have. The City Manager stated that there is a section that reads; "Do you have any special education, skills, or talents that would be beneficial to the appointment you are seeking? If so, what are they?" Mayor Maloof stated that she would like to see something more specific and that it could be discussed further.

The City Manager reported that there are several applications on file and that some Commissioners have picked up applications submitted in their respective districts.

Mayor Maloof requested that the Commission be provided with copies of all applications for appointment to City boards and committees.

Commissioner Ellsworth asked what happens with the mid-term appointments on the Planning & Zoning Board. The City Manager stated that the appointees that are appointed during mid-term would serve the remainder of the term and be eligible for re-appointment.

Commissioner Ellsworth stated that he would like to see the Commission limit the number of terms that an individual can serve on a board or committee.

The City Manager stated that the Commission may choose to institute term limits for boards and committees by administrative policy or by resolution if they so desire.

The City Manager requested that the Commission provide his office with the names of appointees by Thursday, April 17th for inclusion on a draft resolution for the meeting of Tuesday, April 22nd.

5. Police Department Donation from Harry Sadowski -

The Commission noted that this item will be discussed at the Commission Meeting on Tuesday, April 22nd.

6. Calendar of Upcoming Events -

Mayor Maloof stated that she would like a general discussion of Ordinance 02-06 and the Citizens' Initiated Referendum so that the new members of the Commission could familiarize themselves with the issues.

The City Manager stated that City Staff and the City Attorney could prepare an

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overview presentation of Ordinance 02-06 for the Commission Meeting on Tuesday, April 22nd.

Commissioner Collins stated that he thought it was a good idea to start from the basics so that the Commission would have a firm grip on the issues.

The City Manager stated that City staff would put together a short outline of Ordinance 02-06 for the Commission.

Commissioner Blush stated that she would like to see a brief outline of Ordinance 02-06. She also requested that the maps depicting the zones be displayed at the meeting so that the RFH-50 zone can be clearly identified. She stated that part of the reasoning behind the effort to recall her was that the recall committee thought Sunset Beach was included in Ordinance 02-06 when it was not. Commissioner Blush further stated that there were also deposition statements made during the recall regarding Ordinance 02-06 allowing increased density which Ordinance 02-06 did not allow. She asked that the outline be provided in simple terms that everyone can understand.

Mayor Maloof stated that she would like the legalities relating to Ordinance 02-06 and their impact on the community to be discussed as well.

The City Manager responded that City Staff will be prepared to discuss Ordinance 02-06 at the next meeting.

Mayor Maloof stated that the Commission Orientation Workshop will either be scheduled as a one day session or 2 one-half day sessions with reruns on channel 15.

Mayor Maloof commented that the Commission will be holding an Open House on Tuesday, April 29th from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Mayor Maloof commented that there will be bridge workshop meetings on May 8th and June 19th from 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm. She asked that the meetings be replayed on channel 15.

The City Manager stated that the dates for the bridge workshop meetings were tentatively set with the traffic consultants in Boston and that he wanted to make sure the dates were also okay with the Commission.

Mr. Collins asked if the bridge workshop meetings could be scheduled in the evenings rather than from 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm.

The City Manager stated that the consultants sometimes charge more for night

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meetings but that it may not have a great deal of affect on the overall cost. He also stated that these meetings are informational in nature and not for the purpose of eliciting ideas at this point. He said that he suggested 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm to bridge the gap between an afternoon meeting versus an evening meeting.

Commissioner Ellsworth stated that there may be an increase in the negotiated man hours for the consultants as a result of night meetings that could subsequently cause a change to the bottom line.

The Commission agreed to switch the bridge workshop meetings to 6:00 pm until 10:00 pm on May 8th and June 19th.

The City Manager asked about the dates for the Commission Orientation Workshops.

Mayor Maloof suggested that the Commission Orientation Workshops take place in the mornings on April 24th & April 25th.

The City Attorney indicated that he would check his calendar to make sure he is available for the workshops.

Commissioner Blush requested that reviewing the duties and responsibilities of boards and committees be included as part of the orientation workshop as well as an explanation of "quasi-judicial".

The City Manager stated that the "Handbook for Elected Officials" is still in draft form but it has been provided for the Commission's reference.

Mayor Maloof stated that she reviewed it and felt that it was very comprehensive.

G. CITY ATTORNEY.CITY MANAGER REPORTS

1. Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 03/04 –

The City Manager stated that the proposed budget will be presented to the Commission by June 20, 2003.

The City Manager stated that the Commission must set a maximum amount for the mill levy in July and once it is set, the Commission cannot increase the levy more than the maximum amount that has been set when the final mill levy is established in September.

Mayor Maloof stated that she would like the budget meetings to be held in the evening. Commissioner Blush stated that she will be out of town the last week in

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June.

2. Financial Report Thru 3/31/03 -

The City Manager reported that the City has expended 52% of the budget. He stated that a slight increase is to be expected due to front loading of expenses and that it should even out by year-end.

The City Manager stated that the Commissioners will have their pictures taken in the City Hall Auditorium at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 22nd.

The City Manager stated that Pinellas County is holding meetings regarding reclaimed water hookups at City Hall. He said that the reclaimed water hookups will begin in Capri/Sunshine, then Palms/Sunset and finally Paradise/Downtown.

H. REPORTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Collins asked if there is a certain process that the Commission has to go through to rescind Ordinance 02-06.

City Attorney Denhardt stated that Ordinance 02-06 can be rescinded by ordinance.

Commissioner Ellsworth welcomed the new members of the Commission and said that he will enjoy working with the new Commission.

Commissioner Kraus said, "Doesn't the town look great without all the campaign signs everywhere?" He also said that he applauds each of the eleven candidates and thanked the community for "enduring Treasure Island's first Runoff Election". Commissioner Kraus stated that his e-mail address will be available the week of April 21st and his phone number is listed should anyone wish to contact him.

Commissioner Blush welcomed the new Commission and Mayor. She said that it is good to see the Commission having a business agenda and that she is ready to get back to work.

Commissioner Blush stated that she and Mr. Don Hambidge, the Public Works Director, are meeting with the residents of the St. James Condominium as well as other residents and local businesses on Wednesday, April 16th at 5:30 pm to discuss traffic calming during the bridge construction project.

Commissioner Blush stated that Mr. Glenn Harmon, "The Turtle Man" from Clearwater Marine Institute made a presentation on sea turtles to the Beach

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stewardship Committee on Wednesday, April 9th. She thanked the Code Enforcement Officer Carol Kitts and the City Planner Lynn Rosetti for the "wonderful job" they did in putting together the video portion of the presentation.

Commissioner Blush stated that the Community Improvement Department has information regarding adopting turtle nests for anyone that is interested.

Commissioner Blush stated that the "Children's Eggstravaganza" will take place at the Community Center on Saturday, April 19th.

Commissioner Blush commented that she received a thank you letter from Marsha Jordan, the Principal of Gulf Beaches Elementary School as well as a thank you note from a student and a sticker that says, "We are a proud sponsor of Gulf Beaches Elementary School". Commissioner Blush said that this is in reference to the City placing a banner over Gulf Boulevard to advertise the Gulf Beaches Elementary School's 72nd Annual Fish Broil.

Commissioner Blush reported that she received a notice from Pinellas County Board of Commissioners entitled, "Are You Planning to Stay in Pinellas County?" She said that the County Commission is looking for community input regarding making amendments to the comprehensive plan. Commissioner Blush stated that the County is holding a workshop session on Wednesday, April 23rd at 5:30 pm at the St. Petersburg Main Library located on 9th Avenue North.

Mayor Maloof said that she would like to send a big thank you to the community and a thank you to City Staff for making the transition easy for those stepping into new Commission Seats. She also thanked the candidates for their time and energy and for getting out and campaigning. Mayor Maloof stated that the Commission is here to serve the community and to give Treasure Island excellent service from the City and the Commission.

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Julian Fant congratulated the new Commission on the recent election. He stated that he has seen 13 elections at the City of Treasure Island during which time the City never had a runoff election. Mr. Fant proposed that the City examine the costs associated with holding runoff elections. He said that the City expends a lot of money to hold these runoff elections that also can cause hard feelings.

Mr. Bob Shogren stated that he would like to pay tribute to Ms. Stephanie Lavino for bring a fighter. He said that he served with her on the Board of Adjustments for many days from 2:00 pm until 6:00 pm. They worked hard for longer docks and they were successful in getting it passed. Mr. Shogren said that he would also like

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to pay tribute to Mr. Leon Atkinson for standing up and fighting for what he believed in. Mr. Shogren commented that he is proud to know Mr. Atkinson.

Mr. Chris Hearn thanked Ms. Stephanie Lavino and Mr. Leon Atkinson for all their work. He said that now it is time to make a fresh start and figure out how to fix this mess.

Mr. Glenn Kaisner pledged his support to the Commission and stated that he hopes the Commission will do the same for the community.

Ms. Toby Joyce, a former resident of Treasure Island, stated that she attended the meeting to honor Mayor Maloof. She said that she watched Mayor Maloof obtain her Bachelor's Degree and that now Mayor Maloof has just received her PHD. Ms. Joyce stated that the City of Treasure Island is blessed to have Mayor Maloof.

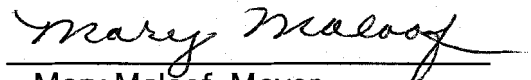
Commissioner Maloof responded and said that she feels she is the one that is blessed.

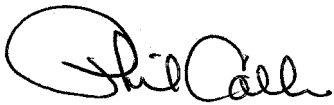
Mr. Michael Daughtry welcomed the new Commission and congratulated all candidates for their campaigning. Mr. Daughtry stated that if the Commission votes to rescind Ordinance 02-06, the lawsuit brought by himself and Ray Greene would become moot and he would file to dismiss it.

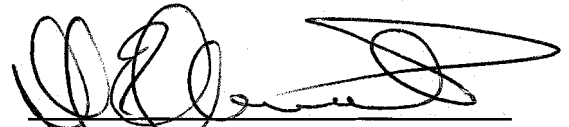
Ms. Clara Lee Selby stated that she remembers when Mayor Maloof ran against Walter Stubbs for Mayor and Ms. Selby advised Mayor Maloof to go ahead and become Commissioner and then run for Mayor. She stated that she would like the Commission to work on getting a zip code specific to Treasure Island.

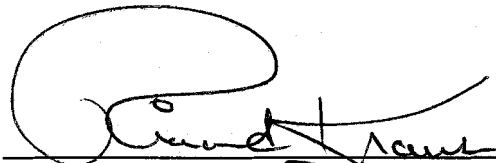
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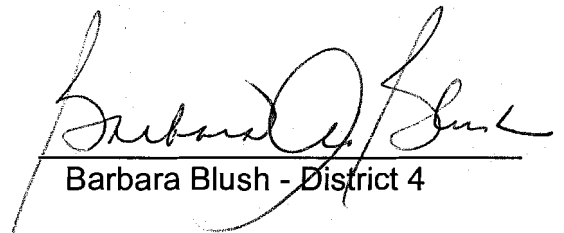
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Mary Maloof, Mayor

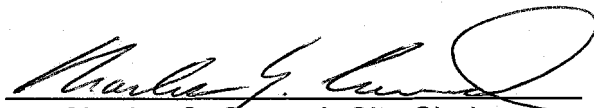

Phil Collins - District 1


Irving Ellsworth - District 2


Richard Kraus - District 3


Barbara Blush - District 4

ATTEST:


Charles S. Coward, City Clerk

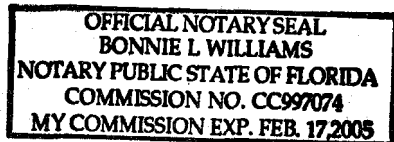
I, PHIL COLLINS, a citizen of the State of Florida and of the United States of America, and being employed by or an officer of the City of Treasure Island, Florida, and a recipient of public funds as such employee or officer, do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America and the Stated of Florida.

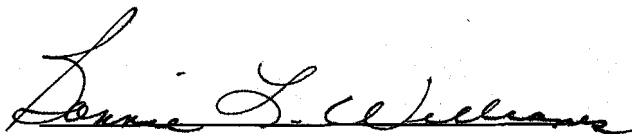


Phil Collins
Commissioner-District 1

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Before me personally appeared Phil Collins who is personally known to me or who produced identification and took the above stated oath this 15th day of April, 2003.

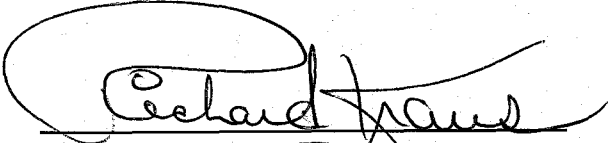




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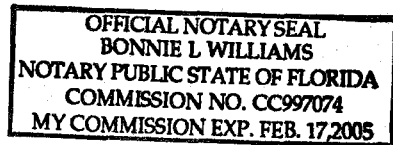
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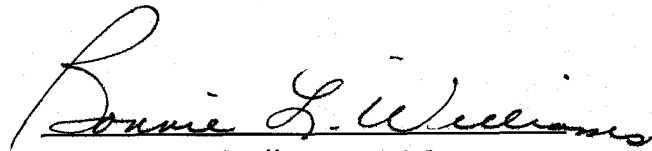
I, **RICHARD KRAUS**, a citizen of the State of Florida and of the United States of America, and being employed by or an officer of the City of Treasure Island, Florida, and a recipient of public funds as such employee or officer, do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America and the Stated of Florida.


Richard Kraus
Commissioner-District 3

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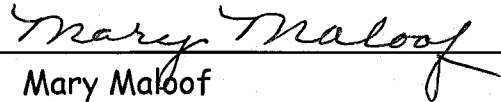
Before me personally appeared Richard Kraus who is personally known to me or who produced identification and took the above stated oath this 15th day of April, 2003.




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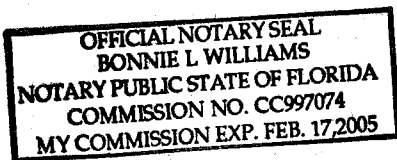
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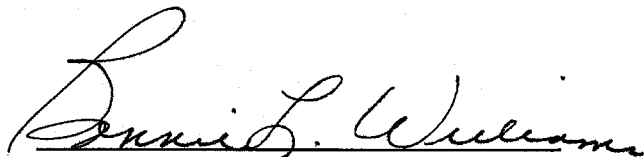
I, **MARY MALOOF**, a citizen of the State of Florida and of the United States of America, and being employed by or an officer of the City of Treasure Island, Florida, and a recipient of public funds as such employee or officer, do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States of America and the Stated of Florida.


Mary Maloof
Mayor

State of Florida
Pinellas County

Before me personally appeared Mary Maloof who is personally known to me or who produced identification and took the above stated oath this 15th day of April, 2003.




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