

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
April 22, 2003
7:00 p.m.**

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Mayor Maloof

B. ROLL CALL:

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

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Dan Lenehan asked the Commission for approval to have a dunk tank fundraiser at the Sun, Sand and Symphony on Saturday, May 24th from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. He stated that the proceeds will benefit the civic associations in Treasure Island.

Mr. Harry Black announced that a party honoring Mr. Leon Atkinson and Ms. Stephanie Lavino would take place at Gators on Saturday, April 26th from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. He stated that both the old and new commission are invited as well as anyone else that would like to attend.

D. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Resolution - Appointments to the Planning & Zoning Board and Beautification Committee -

Upon hearing the reading of this resolution appointing individuals to serve on the Beautification Committee and the Planning & Zoning Board of the City of Treasure Island, Florida, motion was made by Commissioner Ellsworth and seconded by Commissioner Kraus to approve the resolution as read.

Mayor Maloof asked two of the appointees to the Planning & Zoning Board (Ms Susan Givens and Ms. Marion Hubert) present at the Commission meeting to rise and greet the Commission and the audience.

Mayor Maloof asked for an appointment to the Planning & Zoning Board for District 2.

Commissioner Ellsworth appointed Stanley Long to the Planning & Zoning Board

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as a representative from District 2.

Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

2. Acceptance of Donation from Harry Sadowski –

Motion was made by Commissioner Blush and seconded by Commissioner Kraus to accept the generous donation from Mr. Harry Sadowski in the amount of \$25.00 for use by the City's Police Department. Upon roll call, the vote to accept the donation was unanimous.

E. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Evaluation of City Manager –

The Commissioners passed in their evaluations of the City Manager to the Mayor and the Mayor indicated that the evaluations would be discussed at the Commission Meeting on Tuesday, May 6th.

2. Review of Ordinance 02-06 –

City Planner Lynn Rosetti provided the Commission with a review of Ordinance 02-06 and its major components.

Commissioner Blush requested that the map depicting the RFH-50 zone be placed on display so the City Planner could use it to explain the boundaries of the RFH-50 zone. The City Planner explained the location of the RFH-50 land use district and she said that the height incentive increase plan applied only to the RFH-50 land use district.

City Attorney James Denhardt provided the Commission with the current status of Ordinance 02-06.

At Commissioner Ellsworth's request, City Manager Chuck Coward and the City Attorney addressed the options of the Commission related to re-enacting specific items included in Ordinance 02-06.

Commissioner Ellsworth asked for a status on the Referendum.

The City Attorney stated that the Referendum is an ordinance enacted by the electorate and that it can only be overridden by a new citizen initiated petition. He explained the City's options if the Commission wished to pursue overturning the Referendum.

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Commissioner Ellsworth asked how requests for variances would be handled if the Commission votes to rescind Ordinance 02-06.

The City Attorney indicated that the Planning and Zoning Board has criteria for granting variances and that the Commission handles requests for height variances.

The Commissioners discussed their options in rescinding Ordinance 02-06 and drafting a new ordinance that includes some of the items in Ordinance 02-06.

Mr. Chris Hearn commented that he is in favor of repealing Ordinance 02-06.

Mr. Dan Lenehan said that he feels that allowing increased height is important for residents that are building contemporary homes.

Ms. Susan Givens suggested creating a referendum for the electorate to consider allowing 5 foot height variances.

Commissioner Blush requested that an ordinance to rescind Ordinance 02-06 be drafted for the Commission Workshop Meeting on Tuesday, May 6th. The City Manager agreed that a draft ordinance would be made available for the Commission's review at the meeting on May 6th.

F. CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

1. Calendar of Future Meetings –

The City Manager stated that Commission Orientation Workshops will take place on Thursday, April 24th and Friday, April 25th from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. He further stated that the Commission will hold an open house on Tuesday, April 29th at 7:00 p.m. In addition, The City Manager indicated that the Causeway Bridge Replacement Workshops are scheduled from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 8th and Thursday, June 19th.

The City Attorney reported that he has not yet received the final order from Judge Penick in relation to the Recall Hearing.

G. REPORTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Blush said that she and the Public Works Director met with the residents at the St. James Condominium as well as concerned citizens on Wednesday, April 16th to discuss traffic calming during the causeway bridge construction. She stated that several traffic calming options were discussed and

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that she would get back to the Commission after the options have been researched.

Commissioner Blush stated that she met with Mr. Sid Appel regarding a rodent problem at the staging area in the Community Center park. She said that she met with the Superintendent and Public Works Director to discuss and resolve the problem.

Commissioner Blush thanked the Recreation Department and the Treasure Island Islettes for their hard work in putting together the Children's Eggstravaganza that took place on Saturday, April 19th.

Commissioner Blush stated that a BBQ dinner hosted by the Sunset Beach Civic Association is scheduled to take place at the Ka'Tiki on Monday, May 5th at 6:30 p.m. The cost for adults is \$6.00 and \$3.00 for children.

Commissioner Kraus commented that the Bloodmobile would be at City Hall on Wednesday, April 28th from 2:00 until 4:30. He also commented regarding vehicles speeding on Paradise Boulevard and asked drivers to obey the speed limit.

Commissioner Collins commented that he has information available regarding contractor pricing relating to the reclaimed water project.

Commissioner Collins stated that the Isle of Capri also has a problem with vehicles speeding and that the City Manager has been working with a professional traffic engineering company to gather data on the problem through the use of sensors. Commissioner Collins said that he would like to thank people for their support during the election.

Mayor Maloof stated that a Water Board resolution will come before the Commission at the Commission Workshop on Tuesday, May 6th.

Mayor Maloof stated that she would like the Commission to discuss the possibility of imposing term limits for boards and committees. She said that the Commission does not have to pass a resolution or ordinance but rather the Commission can develop a policy for term limits. Mayor Maloof further stated that the Commission could discuss the matter further at the Commission Workshop on Tuesday, May 6th.

Commissioner Blush stated that there are some exceptions where term limits may not be in the best interest of the board or committee. She used the Beach Stewardship Committee as an example and stated that replacing the Chairman, Dr. Bob Minning, would be detrimental to the committee due to the vast knowledge and expertise he brings to the committee. She stated that she feels it should be incumbent on the Commissioners to decide whether to re-appoint a member of a

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committee or board based on his/her participation and attendance.

Commissioner Collins stated that he feels Commissioners should be limited to 3 two-year terms and the Mayor should be limited to 2 three-year terms. He also stated that if no one is available to replace a board or committee member; that the person serving in that capacity could remain on the board or committee. Commissioner Collins said that he is in favor of term limits but that he understands that special circumstances can apply.

Mayor Maloof made Commissioner the following appointments to the outside organizations listed below:

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Commissioner Blush
Alternate - Commissioner Kraus

Suncoast League

Commissioner Ellsworth

Hotel/Motel Association

Commissioner Blush

Mayors' Council

Alternate - Commissioner Collins

**Tampa Bay Regional Planning
Council**

Mayor Maloof

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Harry Black asked if it would be less costly to rescind the referendum rather than having a new referendum considered at a special election.


The City Attorney indicated that he discussed the matter with an attorney that specializes in land-use matters and that the attorney would charge an estimated \$220 per hour. He stated that the overall figure may prove not to be less costly than passing a new referendum at a special election, especially if it is contested.

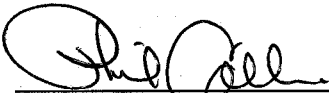
Mayor Maloof asked to have the option added to the other options the Commission will consider at the Commission Workshop Meeting on Tuesday, May 6th.

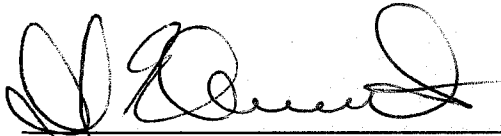
Commissioner Kraus suggested that it may be possible to add the item to the ballot during the county-wide election in November.


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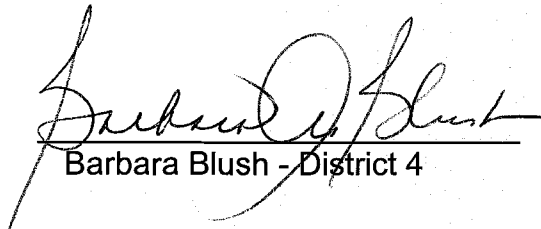
I. ADJOURNMENT:


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