

CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING & WORKSHOP
July 1, 2003
7:00 p.m.

A. SILENT ROLL CALL BY DEPUTY CITY CLERK:

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

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Frank McConnell, 10104 Yacht Club Drive, said that he was pleased that the full agenda packet is available for residents to view at Treasure Bay.

The City Manager noted that the Deputy City Clerk has been placing agenda packets at Treasure Bay for public viewing since 1996.

Mr. McConnell suggested that the Commission consider the public's right to know ahead of time regarding items that the Commission make decisions on.

C. MINUTES:

Motion was made by Commissioner Ellsworth and seconded by Commissioner Kraus to approve the minutes from the meeting of June 17, 2003 after Commissioner Kraus noted that the correction to the minutes from June 3rd should read "removing the poles on the beach". In addition, he noted that there was a fifth option of "do nothing" under *Public Transportation Options*. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

D. ACTION:

1. Res. – Authorizing Construction of a Temporary Footbridge on the East Causeway Bridge in St. Petersburg -

After hearing the reading of the resolution directing the construction of a temporary pedestrian bridge over the east fixed bridge on the Treasure Island Causeway, motion was made by Commissioner Kraus and seconded by Commissioner Collins to approve the resolution as read.

Mayor Maloof thanked the City of St. Petersburg as well as the City of Treasure

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Island and the public for their time and effort on this matter.

City Manager Chuck Coward reported that the City of St. Petersburg has made a verbal agreement to contribute ½ the cost of the footbridge not to exceed \$15,000. and he asked the Commissioners if they would like to proceed with the resolution or wait until written authorization is received from the City of St. Petersburg. The City Manager stated that if the Commission approves the resolution, a change order would be issued and construction would begin on Monday, July 7th and be completed by the middle of July.

Commissioner Kraus stated that it was his understanding from St. Petersburg Councilman Richard Kriseman that written authorization from the City of St. Petersburg will be forthcoming.

Mayor Maloof indicated that the City Manager should proceed with the change order and construction.

Commissioner Collins asked whether the funds for the approaches were included in the overall figure of \$30,000 for the temporary footbridges and the City Manager responded affirmatively.

Commissioner Ellsworth stated that he received several phone calls on this matter and that his constituents feel that it is inappropriate to spend \$16,000 on a temporary footbridge considering that pedestrian safety issues have been addressed by the availability of the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) trolleys to cross the causeway at no charge.

Commissioner Kraus stated that, even with the signs posted for the PSTA trolley, he has observed 2 bicyclists, 3 walkers and 2 joggers using the east causeway bridge in the last five days.

Mr. Ed Gayton stated that he is one of Commissioner Ellsworth's constituents and that he is in favor of the temporary footbridge.

Mr. Gayton stated that the City of Treasure Island sent a public notice to the U.S. Coast Guard indicating that the City would install temporary walkways during construction of the causeway bridges.

Upon roll call the resolution passed with a vote of 3 ayes and 1 nay as follows:

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Mayor Maloof	Aye
Commissioner Collins	Aye
Commissioner Ellsworth	Nay
Commissioner Kraus	Aye

E. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Beautification Awards –

Mayor Maloof and Beautification Committee Chairperson Carol Malkin presented beautification awards as follows:

Commercial Award The Whispers
279 104th Avenue

Residential Award Dr. Paul Snoke
670 115th Avenue

Pirate Days Award VIP Lounge
10625 Gulf Boulevard

Beautification Committee Chairperson Malkin stated that the Beautification Committee would like to have a new property improvement award category and that the committee is asking the Commission to approve this new award category.

The City Manager suggested that the Commission consider a motion to authorize the new award category at the Commission Meeting on July 8th and the Commission agreed.

2. PSTA Trolley Contract Extension –

The City Manager stated that PSTA is agreeable to a four-year phase-in formula whereby St. Pete Beach and Treasure Island will assume a 4% annual cost increase. He also stated that the City will not have an increase in FY 03-04 due to the unexpected availability of federal grant funds in the amount of \$200,000. The City Manager indicated that the next step would be for the cities of St. Pete Beach and Treasure Island to negotiate a contract with PSTA.

Commissioner Collins asked the City Manager what the expenditure would be for the PSTA contract in FY 04-05.

The City Manager stated that the City of Treasure Island would spend \$120,042 in FY 04-05, \$143,845 in FY 05-06 and \$167,637 in FY 06-07 for the contract extension.

Commissioner Ellsworth complimented the City of St. Pete Beach and the City of Treasure Island as well as the respective City Managers for working out an arrangement for the continuation of the trolley service. He also stated that he received a telephone call in support of the trolley contract extension.

Mayor Maloof stated that the Commission would like to accept the terms of the trolley contract extension in concept and authorize the City Manager to negotiate a formal contract with PSTA.

Mr. Frank McConnell asked why the City is just now aware of the additional year in grant funding available.

The City Manager stated that the grant funds are made available directly to PSTA and not to the City of Treasure Island.

3. Alcoholic Beverage Establishment Opening & Closing Hours –

City Attorney Jim Denhardt stated that the hours in which alcoholic beverages can be sold are set forth by Florida statute but that some cities and counties have adopted ordinances that are more conservative. He asked if the Commission wishes to amend the hours of sale for alcoholic beverages on Sundays.

Commissioner Kraus asked if Treasure Island is going to adopt the same hours of sale that St. Petersburg is, but geared towards restaurants serving brunch.

Mayor Maloof asked for verification that St. Petersburg changed the hours of sale for alcoholic beverages to start at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays and the City Manager responded affirmatively.

Ms. Amy Burns, a representative of the Bilmar, spoke on the owner's behalf in favor of allowing for the sale of alcoholic beverages starting at 10:00 a.m. on Sundays to level the playing field and to help keep the tourists here in Treasure Island.

Mr. Harry Black, President of the Hotel/Motel Association, stated that he would also like to see the playing field leveled. He said that, in addition, he would like the package stores to be allowed to sell alcohol on Sundays. Mr. Black said that if the City is going to allow one type of establishment to sell alcoholic beverages on Sunday then all establishments should be allowed.

Mr. Fred Stern, owner of the Ka' Tiki, stated that his customers leave to go to Tampa or St. Petersburg to have cocktails with their brunch on Sundays. He suggested allowing for the sale of alcoholic beverages starting at 10:00 a.m. rather than 11:00 a.m. on Sundays.

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Mr. Glenn Kaisner stated that he is also in favor of allowing alcoholic beverages to be sold starting at 10:00 a.m. on Sundays.

Mayor Maloof stated that she received a call from one package store owner that did not support changing the hours for the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday.

Ms. Burns stated that she wants to be sure that establishments with 4-COP licenses are not going to be excluded.

Mr. Stern stated there should not be discrimination between different license holders.

The Commission directed the City Attorney to write an ordinance to allow for the sale of alcoholic beverages starting at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday and to include all types of establishments.

4. Mayor/Commission Office Workstations -

The City Manager stated that he received a state contract bid price in the amount of \$5,784 from Design Team Associates for the Mayor/Commission office workstations. He indicated that the state bid price is \$36 lower than a quote obtained by one of the Commissioners.

Commissioner Collins stated that he spoke to a person that would make the workstations out of particle board with laminate surfaces for approximately \$1,950.

Commissioner Kraus stated that he does not use the workstation presently and he asked the other Commissioners how much they plan to use the workstations.

Mayor Maloof indicated that she plans to use them regularly.

The City Manager stated that the Deputy City Clerk may also use the workstations for records management related activities.

The City Manager stated that the workstations quoted by Design Team Associates are the same workstations used in the following departments; Community Improvement, Personnel, Recreation, Fire & Police.

Commissioner Ellsworth stated that the Commission must first decide what type of material that the workstations are to be made from. He asked if Ms. Carol Green could address the Commission regarding materials.

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The City Manager stated that Ms. Green is providing a quote for modular workstations, therefore, that is likely to be her recommendation.

Mayor Maloof stated that if modular workstations are used that they could be relocated to another area in the future.

Mayor Maloof requested that the City Manager contact Ms. Green and ask her to come before the Commission to provide more information on modular workstations. She also requested that the Commissioners view the modular workstations located at the City.

Commissioner Collins asked when Ms. Greene would be available to address the Commission.

The City Manager stated that he would ask her to come before the Commission at the next workshop meeting on Tuesday, July 15th.

Donations:

Mayor Maloof stated that motions to accept donations in the amount of \$250 from Caddy's Waterfront Café and \$33.94 from Larry Hoffman's campaign fund will be considered at the Commission meeting on Tuesday, July 8th.

F. CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

The City Manager reported that Mr. Ruckdeschel has completed certain modifications to his property as required by the City's Code Enforcement Division.

The City Manager asked the Commission if Wednesday, August 6th would be acceptable to schedule the second bridge workshop. Commissioner Collins stated that he would not be available on that date and asked if it would be possible to schedule the workshop on Monday, August 4th instead. The City Manager stated that he would report back to the Commission as to whether all parties involved could be available on August 4th.

The City Manager responded to Mr. Gayton's comments regarding a public notice sent to the U.S. Coast Guard and said that the previous Commission deleted the walkways due to the cost.

Commissioner Collins asked what time the bridge workshop will start. The City Manager stated that the bridge workshop will be from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

G. REPORTS & COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Ellsworth thanked the Isle of Palms Civic Association for the

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following donations:

\$200 to the Recreation Department
\$200 to the Police Benevolent Association
\$300 to the Volunteer Fire Department

Commissioner Ellsworth commented that the new home design business that is going in next to the Rally station looks nice.

Commissioner Ellsworth stated that he attended the Pinellas County Commission meeting on Tuesday, June 24th and reported that the ordinance banning fireworks was passed unanimously by the County Commission. He said that the ordinance will go into effect in August and that Hillsborough and Manatee counties may follow suit by passing a similar ordinance.

Commissioner Kraus reported that the following six teams participated in the annual Pirate Days Softball Tournament; Isle of Palms, Isle of Capri, Paradise Island, Public Works, Police/Fire and Recreation. He stated that Paradise Island won the tournament and thanked the players for a job well done.

Mayor Maloof stated that the Barrier Islands Governmental Council (BIG-C) is planning an economic impact study on the barrier islands. She said that Mr. Harry Black has been appointed to sit in on some of the focus group meetings.

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Fred Stern asked what the time frame is for the Commission to consider the ordinance regarding the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sundays.

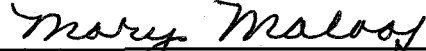
The City Attorney stated that the ordinance will come before the Commission for first reading on Tuesday, July 8th and the second reading and public hearing will take place on July 22nd.

I. ADJOURNMENT:

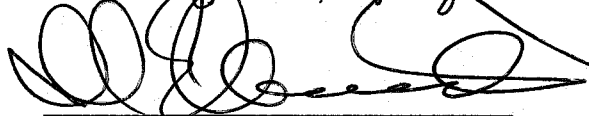
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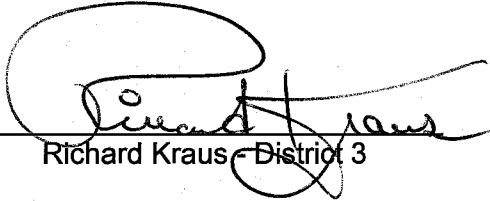
Phil Collins - District 1



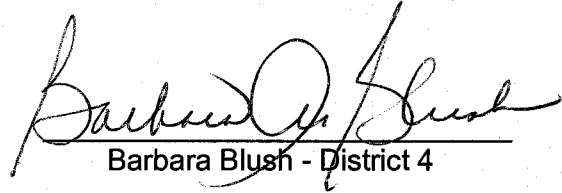
Mary Maloof, Mayor



Irving S. Ellsworth - District 2

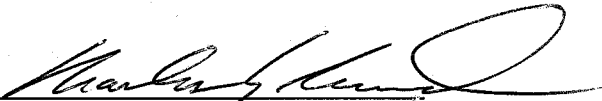


Richard Kraus - District 3



Barbara Blush - District 4

ATTEST:



Charles S. Coward, City Clerk