

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
November 25, 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

Mayor Maloof presented a certificate of appreciation to Sandy and Bob Salerno in recognition of their community service efforts and help with City functions.

Mayor Maloof presented a certificate of appreciation to John Burke in recognition of his time donated to many organizations as well as assisting with broadcasting TITV and serving as a poll worker during elections.

Mayor Maloof presented a certificate of appreciation to the Treasure Islettes for their history of community service and support of City functions. Rosemary Thompson, President of the treasure Islettes, accepted the award on behalf of past members of the Treasure Islettes.

Mayor Maloof announced that public comments would be moved further down on the agenda due to a major announcement.

D. ITEMS OF BUSINESS:

1. Ord. – Amending Liquor Sales Regulations for Sunday Sales – 1st Reading –

After hearing the first reading of this ordinance pertaining to alcoholic beverage sales; amending Section 63-34 and Section 63-35 of the "Code of Ordinances of the City of Treasure Island, Florida" pertaining to the hours of alcoholic beverage sales; providing that alcoholic beverages can be sold in the City of Treasure Island on Sundays between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. the following day; providing for the inclusion of such amended ordinance in the "Code of Ordinances of the City of Treasure Island, Florida"; providing an effective date, motion was made by Commissioner Ellsworth and seconded by Commissioner Kraus to approve the ordinance as read. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

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2 & 3. Causeway Bridge Replacement Project –

Mayor Maloof stated that she spoke with Congressman Bill Young earlier today. She said that Congressman Young informed her that he drafted the Omnibus Transportation Bill and it includes \$50 million for the construction of Treasure Island's bascule bridge.

City Manager Chuck Coward stated that this news is a coup for Treasure Island, St. Petersburg and Pinellas County. He said that Congressman Young did state that there is a requirement that the bridge become toll-free at the completion of its construction. The City Manager suggested that the Commission hold a workshop at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 2nd to discuss the impact of this grant on the project and the community. He congratulated both past and present Commissioners for their diligence in talking with state and federal delegations regarding the need for funding of the causeway bridge. The City Manager also expressed his appreciation to Congressman Young and said that "it's a banner day in Treasure Island".

The City Manager suggested that the resolutions modifying the toll facility design to an expandable 4 lanes and amending causeway toll rates for additional axles be deferred until the Commission has discussed the bridge project at next week's special workshop and Mayor Maloof concurred.

Mayor Maloof complimented the City Manager, Public Works Director Don Hambidge and staff for "leaving no stone unturned" in the overall effort to secure funds for the bridge's construction. She also thanked the Commissioners for their efforts, especially Commissioner Ellsworth for lobbying Congressman Young in Washington, D.C.

Mayor Maloof announced that public comments would be taken at this time.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mark Consigny, President of the Causeway Isles Neighborhood Association (CINA), expressed his appreciation that the Commission had previously passed a resolution for a 4 lane toll facility even though it is "all in the past now".

Mayor Maloof stated that the City and the Commission had taken their wishes into consideration during each step of the decision-making process for the bridge's design.

Carl Ystrom stated that he thought it was fantastic news regarding the funds for the bridge project. He thanked Jeff Jensen for his work in producing the show on TITV.

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Mr. Ystrom stated that the Drum Circle's duration is too long and suggested that they play from one hour before sunset until one hour after sunset.

D. ITEMS OF BUSINESS CONTINUED:

4. Res. – Amending Employee Rules and Regulations –

After hearing the reading of the resolution adopting revised Personnel Rules and Regulations for the City of Treasure Island, motion was made by Commissioner Kraus and seconded by Commissioner Collins to approve the resolution as read. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

5. Res. – Contract for Treasure Bay Golf Professional –

After hearing the reading of the resolution approving an employment contract with Gary Metzger, Golf Pro, authorizing City Manager Charles S. Coward to execute such contract; providing an effective date, motion was made by Commissioner Kraus and seconded by Commissioner Collins to approve the resolution as read.

Commissioner Kraus noted that the percentage of revenue used for the calculation of compensation does not include green fees.

Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

6. Res. – Supporting BIG-C Representation on MPO –

After hearing the reading of the resolution opposing the reapportionment of the current voting membership cities to the Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization and urging Governor Bush to include one representative from the barrier island communities in the new Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization voting membership, motion was made by Commissioner Blush and seconded by Commissioner Collins to approve the resolution as read. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

7. Res. – Authorizing BIG-C Membership in Beach Watch –

After hearing the reading of the resolution authorizing the contribution of \$500 to Florida Shore & Beach Preservation Association's "Beach Watch" lobbying component to protect the dedicated funding for beach Renourishment, motion was made by Commissioner Ellsworth and seconded by Commissioner Blush to approve the resolution as read.

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Mayor Maloof stated that Treasure Island would be contributing to the overall cost of \$5,000 to be split by all BIG-C communities.

Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

E. CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

The City Manager reported that the deck on the St. James Bridge will be poured next Tuesday between 5a.m. and 9a.m. thereby completing construction on the first half of the bridge.

The City Manager reported that agenda packets are now available electronically on the City's Web site. He said that the agenda packets will be posted to the Web site each Friday.

F. REPORTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Collins commented that it was wonderful to hear the news regarding funding for the bridge project. He also expressed his approval of the agenda packets being made available on the City's Web site.

Commissioner Ellsworth stated that he participated in the Great American Teach In at Gulf Beaches Elementary School and that he taught a fifth grade class as part of the event.

Commissioner Ellsworth asked that all Treasure Island residents say a prayer of thanks at Thanksgiving in appreciation of the \$50 million in bridge funds that has been made available by Congressman Young.

Commissioner Kraus asked how the City is proceeding in acquiring the services of a land use attorney and City Attorney Jim Denhardt stated that he has gathered names of attorneys and plans to meet with the City Manager on the matter.

Commissioner Blush thanked staff and everyone involved for their time and effort in working to secure funding for the bridge project.

Commissioner Blush reported that the Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce Board met last Thursday. She said that the installation dinner will take place at the Don Cesar on January 3rd.

Commissioner Blush reported that the Future of the Region Awards application that she was working on with staff will be submitted tomorrow. She thanked IT Coordinator Mark Santos, IT Assistant Jeff Jensen, Finance Director Darren

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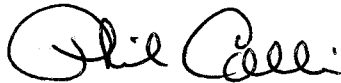
LaFrance, City Manager Chuck Coward and Executive Assistant Sandra Carnevale for their assistance in putting together the information for Sunset Vista Trailhead Park.

Mayor Maloof expressed his concurrence with Commissioner Ellsworth's comments regarding the funding for the bridge project and commented on the hours of work and planning that staff has put into securing funds for the bridge.

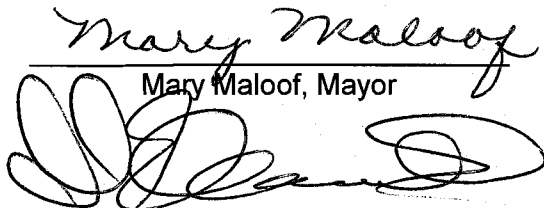
G. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

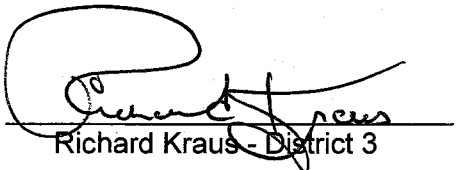
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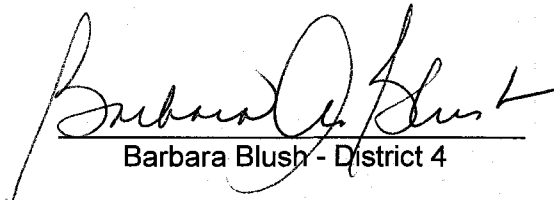
Phil Collins - District 1


Mary Maloof, Mayor

Irving S. Ellsworth - District 2

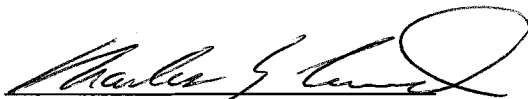


Richard Kraus - District 3



Barbara Blush - District 4

ATTEST:



Charles S. Coward, City Clerk