

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORKSHOP
DECEMBER 6, 2005
FOLLOWING COMMISSION MEETING**

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Special Events Permit Request – Paralite USA LLC

City Manager explained that this is an annual event and Mr. Jim Jackson from Paralite USA LLC is requesting to hold the event again this year.

Mr. Jackson was present to answer any questions the commission or residents had regarding this event.

A resolution has been prepared for the meeting on December 20th.

2. Awarding Fence Replacement Contract for Rosselli Ball field

The city went out for bid to replace the existing fence at Rosselli Ball field. The city received three bids and is recommending to the Commission to award the contract to West Coast Fence Corporation for a total of \$27,146.70.

Don Hambidge, Public Works Director, was present to answer any questions.

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3. Awarding Painting Contract for Paint of Three City Structures

The City went out to bid for the painting of three city structures – Sunset Vista Trailhead Park, Downtown Clock Tower and Sunset Beach Pavilion. Staff recommended the commission award the contract to Olympic Painting Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$15,095.

Don Hambidge, Public Works Director, was present to answer any questions.

Commissioner Gayton was concerned about the vast difference in the bids from a bid of \$15,095 to \$73,000. He asked if references were received and contacted. Mr. Hambidge indicated that references were received but not contacted. The commission asked Mr. Hambidge to call the references and report back at the next commission meeting.

A resolution has been prepared for the meeting on December 20.

4. Contracting with Pinellas County Sheriff's Office for Police Services

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At the meeting of October 25, the Sheriff brought proposals to the Commission for them to consider in possibly contracting with the Sheriff's department.

Since then, the City Manager had a number of meetings with Lts. Fetcher and Sterling from the Sheriff's department and Acting Police Chief Tim Casey. The City Manager said they had a good exchange of ideas all done very professionally. He thanked the Sheriff's department and then went over the proposals he received from the Sheriff's department.

Sheriff Coates was present to go over the proposals and answer any questions the Commission had.

Acting Police Chief Tim Casey presented his report on the reasons to maintain the present Treasure Island Police Department.

The public made the following comments:

John Gibbons, 11975 6th Street East, favors contracting with the Sheriff's Department. He would like to see this item put on the ballot.

Mark Deasaro, President of the PBA, distributed some material to the Commission in support of the police department. He reiterated the excellent job the Treasure Island police department has done and is doing.

Julian Fant, 800 115th Avenue, would like to retain the police department.

Ray Green, 8650 West Gulf Boulevard, keep our police department.

John Hefferman, 255 Nautilus Way, would like to see this item go to referendum.

Lynn Yetmon, 249 Nautilus Way, would like to see this item to go referendum.

JoAnn Dannenmiller, 12274 1st Street West, keep our police department.

Donna Kay Cothron, 470 Sandy Hook Road, would like to see this item go to referendum.

Jack Jones, 11810 Capri Circle, would like this item to go to referendum.

Dominique Reiter, 153 Sun Isle, explained her role on the Charter Review Committee and the process elected to abolish the police department. Three out of the five commissioners need to vote to abolish the police department and it then goes to referendum.

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Rick Taylor, 10601 Gulf Boulevard, keep our police department.

Butch Ellsworth, 11285 4th Street East, keep our police department. They provide us with the level of service we enjoy, a good response time and a comfort level.

Paul Mevoli, 25 83rd Avenue, would like to see everyone respect each other's point of view and opinions. Listen to the City Manager.

Joe Nuzzo, 9841 Gulf Boulevard, keep our police department.

Dick Spinner, 500 Treasure Island Causeway, keep our police department.

Craig Hill, 700 115th Avenue, keep our police department.

Glenn Kaisner, Isle of Palms, keep our police department.

Dennis Velasco, Sunset Beach, keep our police department.

Kathy McCreary, 300 115th Avenue, commended Acting Police Chief Tim Casey for his presentation. She would like to keep our level of service by retaining our police department.

Douglas Summers, 11135 3rd Street East, would like to see our police department retained – extraordinary level of service.

John Krayniak, 235 126th Avenue, keep our police department.

Commissioner Collins does not see any problem with our police department. He would like to know what is expected of the Commission if this item goes to referendum.

The City Attorney said there are a couple of ways this item can go to referendum. One way is a citizen's initiative

The City Manager said that according to the Charter, the Commission would request the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to abolish the police department. Three of the five commissioners would have to pass the ordinance. This will then necessitate the item be placed on the ballot as a referendum question to the citizens for a vote.

Commissioner Kraus would like to know what the citizens want.

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The Commission indicated they would like to hear from the citizens, let them know what they want.

The City Manager recommends that Treasure Island keep the Police Department.

There will be a public hearing at the next commission meeting on December 20.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

Commission Kraus brought up the issue of the 90th Avenue Fence. He would like to see the different options and pricing. The City Manager indicated he thought the work was complete.

He also wanted to know about the emergency generator. The City Manager indicated that Fire Chief Charlie Fant has received new bids within the price range and will be coming to the Commission with his recommendation.

III. CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEYS AND COMMENTS.

The City Manager informed the Commission that three interviews will held on Thursday, December 8, for the position of City Clerk. The interview panel will consist of Fred Turner, Personnel Director, Cathy Hayduke, Recreation Director, Cynthia Goudeau, President of the Pinellas County Clerk's Association and himself.

He asked the Commission if they wished to sit in on the interview or meet with the candidates individually or as a group. Commissioner Gayton would like to sit in on the interviews and the rest would like to meet the candidates individually.

IV. REPORTS & COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Gayton asked that people be careful of solicitor at this time of the season.

Commissioner Kraus said Paradise Island Civic Association held their Christmas Party last Saturday. Well attended. He also said there will be a beach cleanup on Saturday, December 10. Those wishing to participate are to meet at 7:45 a.m. at Ricky T's or 9:00 a.m. at the Waffle House.

Commissioner Bildz also indicated that Sunset Beach would be having a beach cleanup. The Sunset Beach Civic Association held a meeting and elected a new

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president – Kim Driscoll. Again this year, there will be luminaries on Sunset Beach, see Heidi Horak or him.

Commissioner Bildz reminded everyone of the Beach Stewardship Committee Meeting on December 14. The Beach Trail will be discussed with Phil Graham.

The Mayor spoke about the SPCA donations. Sunset Beach and Rotary Club have made donations and is hoping to hear from the other Civic Groups. She indicated that there is a gentleman who will match whatever we donate. She will bring this up at the next meeting.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Glenn Kaisner, resident, said it was sad to see the police issue stirring up. He would like to see emails and comments that Commissioners have received.

Dominque Reiter, resident, as a member of the Charter Review Committee, the charter amendment was created so that it took three members of the commission to bring this item to referendum. All must take a stand.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: 10:10 PM

Mary Maloof, Mayor

Phil Collins - District 1

Ed Gayton - District 2

Richard Kraus - District 3

Alan Bildz - District 4

ATTEST:

Ralph Stone, City Clerk