

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORKSHOP
January 10, 2006
7:07 p.m.**

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Bridge Update

Hal Bruce gave an update on the bridge closure. He reported on the work that has been completed since the closure, and work that will be completed in the near future. They have successfully entered into construction phase II, and they are pleased with the progress. Questions were answered regarding the affect on boat traffic and schedule of future phases.

2. Revised State Revolving Loan Fund

The City Manager, Ralph Stone, explained that the original resolution was not acceptable to the State, and needed to be updated. Questions regarding the previous resolution were asked. The impact on information regarding the previous resolution will be addressed at the next meeting.

Item 14 was taken out of order.

14. Corps of Engineers Consent Agreement for Beach Renourishment

Rick Raus, Assistant Public Works Director, gave a report on the Beach Renourishment agreement. The agreement covers the area from 110th Avenue, south. There is an old agreement that covers the area from 110th Avenue, north. Questions regarding this agreement will be answered in a future meeting. A resolution will be on the next agenda.

3. Report on Community Appearance Codes

Lynn Rosetti, City Planner, presented information regarding the changes to the ordinance that will be coming. There were questions regarding gravel lawns. These will need to be defined further in the ordinance. A resolution referring this item to the Planning and Zoning Board will be presented at the next meeting.

4. Report from LPA on Commission Referral on Variance Issues

Lynn Rosetti, City Planner, presented information from the LPA regarding variance issues. The LPA reviewed the procedures and recommended no action in several areas, and modification by ordinance in one. Areas of discussion were variance criteria in general, and in relationship with docks, maximum height allowances, and covers over boat slips and lifts. The report was accepted by consensus.

5. Ordinance – Senior’s Homestead Exemption

This item will be on the agenda for the January 24, 2006 meeting for a 2nd reading and public hearing.

6. Ordinance – Revision to Variance Procedures (CH 70-221)

Lynn Rosetti, City Planner, gave an overview of the recommendations of the LPA regarding the revisions to the variance procedures. This item will be on the agenda for the January 24, 2006 meeting for 1st reading and public hearing.

7. Ordinance – Segmented Uses (Time Share and Fractional Interest)

Lynn Rosetti, City Planner, presented information regarding segmented uses. She reported that she had researched this subject all over the country, and there was very little information out there regarding segmented uses. An ordinance suggested by the LPA will be presented for first reading and public hearing at the January 24, 2006 meeting. This ordinance will amend Chapter 68-484.

8. Initiating Land Use Plan Change – Sunset Vista Trailhead Park CG to R/OS

Lynn Rosetti, City Planner, presented information regarding the suggested land use plan change. She explained the procedure for referring to the LPA and Pinellas County. If this is referred on January 24th it would go to a meeting and public hearing in March and come back to City Commission in April. It would be forwarded to external agencies in May, and be finalized mid-summer. A resolution referring this to the LPA will be on the agenda for the January 24, 2006 meeting.

9. Downtown Redevelopment Plan Consultant Agreement

City Manager, Ralph Stone, discussed the contract agreement with HDR, Inc. for the preparation of a Downtown Redevelopment Plan. He discussed the process, and who would be involved as part of the planning team. There would be key staff members, consultants, and business owners. It would end with a 4 day charette. It is a very open, interactive process that would be open to the entire community. The City Attorney will review the contract for content and form and will make her recommendations. A resolution for the City Commission to approve the contract for an amount not to exceed \$127,500 will be presented at the January 24, 2006 meeting.

10. Federal Funding Priorities

City Manager, Ralph Stone, presented a draft letter to the City's Congressional Delegation regarding the City's funding requests for FY 2007 project priorities. The funding request was as follows:

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| 1. Wastewater/Sewer System Evaluation & Upgrade | \$5,000,000 |
| 2. Beach Trail Extension & Upgrade | \$ 500,000 |
| 3. Community Center Expansion | \$3,500,000 |

Discussion followed. It was suggested that a marina might be a better idea than a gymnasium. Backflow preventers were also suggested. After further discussion it was decided to strike the word "extension" from the request for funding for the beach trail. Frank McConnell felt that the gym was premature as there is no plan in place at this time. Tom Larsen suggested that the trail be improved rather than extended.

The letter will be revised, striking the community center, upgrade of existing beach trail only, add the marina, and Ralph will discuss the backflow preventers with Don to see if it is feasible.

11. Support FLC Key Priority Legislative Issues

City Manager, Ralph Stone, presented the League of City's annual request for support of their legislative issues. A resolution urging Governor Jeb Bush and members of the Legislature to support these items that are important to local communities will be on the agenda for the January 24, 2006 meeting. There are white papers available to read on the League of City's website.

12. Request from Voter's Watch for Free Use of the Auditorium for Candidates Debate on Saturday, February 25.

The resolution authorizing this use will be on the agenda for the January 24, 2006 meeting.

13. Election Board Appointments

The City Clerk, Dawn Foss, reported that the list of election workers was received from the Supervisor of Elections late this afternoon. A resolution with the names included will be on the agenda for the January 24, 2006 meeting.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Need warning signs at the seawall at 90th Avenue, and staff to evaluate the private fence.
2. Have the owners of South Beach gotten the required DEP approvals for the sidewalk?
3. The City re-advertised for new bids for the Community Center air conditioning. If bids are ready a resolution can be placed on the meeting agenda. The normal workshop/meeting procedure will have to be waived.
4. Beach parking lot passes have been changed from fiscal year to a calendar year.
5. A street paving schedule will be provided this month.

III. CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

1. Ka-tiki has voluntarily dismissed their lawsuit, so this matter is closed.
2. On the halfway house issue, a request for stay of ruling for 30 days has been filed. The City did not agree, and the City Attorney has requested an immediate ruling. They are requesting other approvals that do not need to go to court, as they are changes in their business plan for allowed uses, provided that they obtain the necessary licenses and permits.
3. The next two meetings on the beach trail have been scheduled. The meeting for property owners south of the Holiday Inn will be held at 3:00 pm on January 25th. The meeting for property owners north of the Holiday Inn will be at 6:00 pm on January 25th.

IV. REPORTS AND COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

1. Commissioner Collins extended thanks and New Year's wishes to

- all.
2. Commissioner Gayton is looking for volunteers for the Beautification Committee
 3. Commissioner Kraus discussed the resolution regarding the funding of underground utilities on Gulf Boulevard by Pinellas County. This item will appear on the agenda for the January 24, 2006 meeting.
 4. Commissioner Bildz reported on the Sunset Beach Community Association meeting. There was a request to discuss the light at 75th and Blind Pass with St. Pete Beach. The City Manager reported that the light has been adjusted, and if it is still a problem it can be addressed. Commissioner Bildz also spoke about the beach cleanup being held on Saturday, and the Beach Stewardship meeting on Wednesday.
 5. Mayor Maloof welcomed back Nick Monseur from Canada. He attends meetings regularly during the winter.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 by Mayor Maloof.

Mary Maloof, Mayor

Phil Collins - District 1

Ed Gayton - District 2

Richard Kraus – District 3

Alan Bildz – District 4

ATTEST:

Dawn Foss, City Clerk