CITY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

JANUARY 10, 2017

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Schechner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

PRESENT:

Deborah Schechner, Mayor
Rick Falkenstein, Vice Mayor
Terri Finnerty, Commissioner
Ward Friszolowski, Commissioner
Melinda Pletcher, Commissioner

ALSO PRESENT:

Wayne Saunders, City Manager
Andrew Dickman, City Attorney
Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk
Jennifer Bryla, Community Development Director
Mike Clarke, Public Works Director
Jennifer McMahon, Recreation Director
Betcinda Kettells, Library Administrator

1. Presentations

a. Presentation of Museum Pass Program

Ms. Kettells explained the benefits of visiting the Library and the added value of free admission to the Museum of Fine Arts in St. Petersburg.

b. Pass-A-Grille Way Project Update

Mr. Saunders provided a status update on the Pass-a-Grille Way Reconstruction Project to include the original bid and adjusted contract amount, self-performing and value-engineered items, funding sources and anticipated completion dates.

2. Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

3. Audience Comments

Fran Perroni, Sunset Way, commented on speeding boats and dogs on the beach.

Bill Paarlberg, 70th Avenue, expressed his appreciation for the installation of neighborhood watch signs and commented on the newly remodeled Upham Beach concession stand.

4. Consent

a. Approval of minutes from the following City Commission meetings: November 1, 2016 regular; November 15, 2016 regular; December 12, 2016 regular; and December 13, 2016 workshop.

b. Authorization for the City Manager to purchase 10 pay stations from Cale America to upgrade and replace existing pay by space parking pay stations at a total cost of $74,760.00.

c. Authorize the City Manager to grant (sign) an easement to Duke Energy to allow for the placement of a switchgear at Fire Station #22, located at 1950 Pass-a-Grille Way.

d. Authorize the City Manager to execute a change order to the existing agreement with Taborelli Construction, Inc. for $5,883.75 for the Upham Beach Deck Replacement project.

e. Authorize the City Manager to enter into Continuing Contracts for Professional Design Services with Cardno, Inc.; Cribb Philbeck Weaver Group, Inc.; GGI, LLC (Genesis); George F. Young, Inc.; Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.; and Stanley Consultants, Inc.

f. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase agreement with FCS, Inc. for $9,225.00 for pumping of the wastewater system to facilitate cleaning of our blocked and surcharged wastewater trunk lines.

g. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchase agreement with Seminole Septic for $17,000.00 for pumping of the wastewater system to facilitate cleaning of blocked and surcharged wastewater trunk lines.

h. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Federally Funded Public Assistance Funding Agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Commissioner Pletcher moved to approve Consent Items 4(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) and (h) as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Friszolowski.

Hearing no audience comments, Mayor Schechner called for the vote.

The motion was unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote.

5. Action Items

a. Reject the one bid received from Morelli Landscaping, Inc. in the amount of $321,600.00 for Pass-a-Grille Way North Washingtonian Palm Trees and authorize the City Manager to negotiate with Morelli Landscaping for the purchase.

Mr. Saunders explained that the sole bid received in response to the Request for Bids advertisement was $75,000.00 over the budgeted amount of $275,000.00.

Commissioner Pletcher moved to approve Item 5(a), to authorize the City Manager to reject the lone bid received from Morelli Landscaping, Inc. in the amount of $321,600.00 for Pass-a-Grille Way North Washingtonian Palm Trees and authorize the City Manager to negotiate an acceptable price for this contract with Morelli Landscaping, Inc., and the authority to enter into a contract as long as it does not exceed the budgeted amount. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Finnerty.

Mayor Schechner called for audience comments.

John Michael, Bay Street, spoke in opposition to the expenditure.

An unidentified speaker requested information on a product guarantee.

Hearing no additional audience comments, Mayor Schechner called for the vote.

The motion was unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote.

b. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Purchasing Agreement with Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. in the amount of $158,170.10 to piggyback an existing contract with Polk County for micro-surfacing (rehabilitation) on ten city streets.

Mr. Clarke reported that the micro-surfacing technique will eliminate the need to completely repave the streets listed in the 2014 assessment report.

Vice Mayor Falkenstein moved to approve Item 5(b), to authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchasing agreement with Asphalt Paving System, Inc. in the amount of $158,170.10 to piggyback an existing contract with Polk County for micro-surfacing (rehabilitation) on ten city streets. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Finnerty.

Hearing no audience comments, Mayor Schechner called for the vote.

The motion was unanimously passed by an individual roll call vote.

c. City Clerk Compensation

Commissioner Friszolowski moved to approve Item 5(c), to increase the City Clerk's annual salary by 3%, effective October 1, 2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Finnerty.

Mayor Schechner called for audience comments.

John Michael, Bay Street, commented on the position of city clerk.

Hearing no further audience comments, Mayor Schechner called for the vote.

The motion was approved 4-1 with Vice Mayor Falkenstein voting "no."

6. Ordinances

a. Ordinance 2016-24, Final Reading and Public Hearing, amending Division 26 - Sign Ordinance of the City's Land Development Code.

The proposed ordinance includes changes to electronic signs and placement of political signs.

Commissioner Finnerty moved to approve Item 6(a), Ordinance 2016-24, upon final reading, an ordinance of the City Commission of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida, amending the St. Pete Beach Land Development Code as follows: Section 2.1, Words, Terms and Phrases Defined; amending Section 26.2, Definitions; amending Section 26.5, Non-Conforming Signs; amending Section 26.23, Illuminated and Electronic Message Board Signs; amending Section 26.25(g), All Districts; amending Section 26.33, TC-1 and TC-2 Districts; renumbering Section 26.41, Severability, to Section 26.42; providing for 26.41, Pass-a-Grille Overlay District; providing for severability; providing for the repeal of all ordinances in conflict herewith;

and providing for an effective date. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Falkenstein.

Mayor Schechner called for audience comments.

Doug Izzo, Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce, spoke about sign conformance.

Keith Overton, President of TradeWinds Island Resorts, requested clarification in regard to residential use versus residential district, illumination and foot candles, and visibility of signs with setback requirements.

Commissioner Friszolowski requested staff meet with the Chamber of Commerce representative(s) and hoteliers, and return to the Commission with recommendations.

Unidentified speaker posed a question about height restrictions.

Hearing no further audience comments, Mayor Schechner called for the vote.

The motion was unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote.

b. Ordinance No 2016-25 – Final Reading and Public Hearing, Temporary Moratorium for Medical Marijuana Dispensaries

Mr. Dickman reported that the proposed ordinance allows for a 180-day moratorium to further review the effects of the recently enacted law.

Vice Mayor Falkenstein moved to approve Item 6(b), Ordinance 2016-25, upon final reading, an ordinance of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida, imposing a temporary moratorium on the establishment and operation of medical marijuana dispensing organizations and medical marijuana treatment centers within the City for a period of one hundred and eighty (180) days; providing for severability, conflicts and an effective date. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Finnerty.

Mayor Schechner called for audience comments.

John Michael, Bay Street, spoke in opposition to the moratorium.

Hearing no further audience comments, Mayor Schechner called for the vote.

The motion was unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote.

7. Resolutions

a. Resolution 2017-01, a Resolution of the City of St. Pete Beach, Pinellas County, Florida declaring as surplus certain city owned vehicles, assets and equipment and authorizing the City Manager to dispose of said assets in the manner required by law.

The list includes one vehicle and equipment and office furniture.

Commissioner Pletcher moved to approve Item 7(a), Resolution 2017-01, a resolution of the City of St. Pete Beach, Pinellas County, Florida, declaring as surplus certain City owned vehicles, assets and equipment and authorizing the City Manager to dispose of said assets in the manner required by law. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Falkenstein.

Hearing no audience comments, Mayor Schechner called for the vote.

The motion was unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote.

8. Items for Discussion

a. Consideration of hosting a Powerboat P1 USA Super Stock race off the shores of St Pete Beach

Ms. McMahon expounded on the details of hosting a Powerboat P1-USA Superstock race on June 16-18, 2017 and requested approval to continue discussion with the sponsors.

9. Audience Comments 2

There were no audience comments.

10. City Clerk, City Manager, City Attorney and City Commission Reports

City Clerk Haynes reported on the following items:

- The Suncoast League of Cities business luncheon at the Community Center on January 20th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- The Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections will begin the mailing of overseas ballots on January 23rd and over the counter ballots will be available on January 30th for the March 2017 election

City Manager Saunders reported on the following items:

- Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner on January 19, 2017
- Workshop on January 24th at 4:00 p.m. regarding place-making and ferry service

Commissioner Finnerty reported on the following items:

- Florida League of Cities Conference and proposed priorities
- Upham Beach concession stand replacement

Vice Mayor Falkenstein reported on the following items:

- Rock jetties at Upham Beach
- Replacement of dead plants

Commissioner Friszolowski reported on the following items:

- Lido Beach Civic Association and the Don Cesar Property Owners Association meetings are scheduled for January 19, 2017
- Regulations regarding drones
- Reclaimed water leaks

Commissioner Pletcher reported on the following items:

- Vina del Mar Association meeting on January 19^{th} at the Warren Webster Community Center
- District 3 and District 4 voting sites for the March 14, 2017 election will be consolidated and take place at the Warren Webster Community Center
- Recognized the passing of Sonia Miller

Mayor Schechner reported on the following items:

- Memorial service for Jim Lawrence, Mayor of Indian Shores
- Volunteer from the Commission to sit on the PSTA
- Legislative delegation meeting with Senator Brandes and Representative Peters regarding grant funding
- Pinellas County Sheriff Gualtieri attended the Big C meeting to speak on mental health training and first-time offenders
- Recycle bins for community events
- Status of the proposed Dolphin Village project

11. <u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Attest:

Rebecca C. Haynes

Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk

Deborah Schechner

Deborah Schechner, Mayor

Minutes approved on: 1/24/2017