

**ST. PETE BEACH PLANNING BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

Monday, September 29, 2008, 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

THOSE PRESENT:

Mr. Hostetter
Mr. Lott
Mr. Cummins
Mr. Thompson
Chairman Jacoby

ALSO PRESENT:

City Attorney Mike Davis
Community Development Director Karl Holley
City Clerk Theresa McMaster

AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- 1) **St. Pete Beach Land Development Code as it relates to the geographical area of the traditional hotel district basically in Pass-a-Grille;**
 - 2) **Standards for maintenance of private property;**
 - 3) **Signage on public bus stops;**
 - 4) **Relocation of existing structures.**
- 1) **Mr. Holley explained Ordinance 2008-38 noting proposed amendments to the standards of the traditional hotel district.**

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Jacoby opened the Public Hearing for Ordinance 2008-38.

Mr. Joe Caruso, 1301 Gulf Way - spoke of recent investment property he purchased.

Mr. Ralph Lickton, 1706 Pass-a-Grille Way, #3 – spoke of the improvements that Mr. Caruso would make to his newly purchased property.

Chairman Jacoby closed this Public Hearing portion of Ordinance 2008-38.

Mr. Lott moved that the Planning Board recommend approval of Ordinance 2008-38 as submitted. Mr. Hostetter seconded the motion.

The motion was unanimously approved by individual roll call vote.

- 2) Mr. Holley explained Ordinance 2008-39 noting that this Ordinance is a result of direction by the City Commission with respect to the issue of more detailed and comprehensive standards for the maintenance of private property.**

Mr. Holley noted that other Ordinances/Code changes associated with this Ordinance, e.g. standards for securing property under development, will be available for discussion by this Board in November. Considerable discussion followed.

It was the consensus of this Board to recommend striking 21-B from this Ordinance.

With respect to high grass, Mr. Lott moved to change 12" in height to 8" in height.

Mr. Thompson seconded the motions.

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Mr. Lott moved to recommend approval Ordinance 2008-39 with the modifications to strike 21-B from the ordinance and to allow grass height to 8 ".

Mr. Cummins seconded the motion.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Jacoby opened the Public Hearing portion of Ordinance 2008-39.

Mr. Ralph Lickton, 1706 Pass-a-Grille Way, #3 – Commented to the subject of high grass.

Chairman Jacoby closed this Public Hearing part of Ordinance 2008-39.

The motion was unanimously approved by individual roll call vote.

- 3) Mr. Holley explained Ordinance 2008-40 pertaining to the issue of signage on benches within the City of St. Pete Beach.**

Chairman Jacoby moved to unstrike "K", leaving it in this ordinance (removing bus, bench and bus shelter advertising signage from the list of prohibited signs) and accept the addition of "D" in Division 26.6 of the Land Development Code which allows signage placed on public property with appropriate review.

Mr. Hostetter seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by a three to two (3-2) individual roll call vote with Mr. Hostetter, Mr. Cummins and Chairman Jacoby voting to unstrike "K"; and, Mr. Lott and Mr. Thompson voting to strike "K" from the ordinance.

Mr. Hostetter moved to recommend adoption of Ordinance 2008-40 with amendments.

Mr. Cummins seconded the motion.

PUBLIC HEARING

Vice Mayor Harry Metz, 504 Pass-a-Grille Way – It was his understanding that the benches would be for the beach areas and parks and not for advertising.

Chairman Jacoby closed this Public Hearing portion of Ordinance 2008-40.

The motion was unanimously approved by individual roll call vote.

- 4) Mr. Holley explained that this proposed Ordinance (unnumbered) would amend Section 3.10 of the Land Development Code relocation of existing structures.**

PUBLIC HEARING

Attorney Tom Reynolds, 535 Central Avenue – addressed the setback issue and potential maintenance of historic structures.

Attorney Reynolds suggested that the Planning Board recommend that the City Commission not pass this ordinance.

Ralph Lickton, 1706 Pass-a-Grille Way, #3 – encouraged the Planning Board to recommend passing this ordinance as it is currently written.

Vice Mayor Harry Metz, 504 Pass-a-Grille Way – spoke to the issues at the Woods's property at 103 5th Avenue.

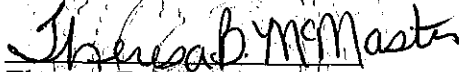
Betty Woods, 103 5th Avenue – spoke to the non-conforming height of homes near hers.

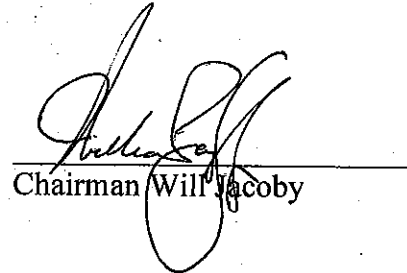
Chairman Jacoby closed this Public Hearing portion of Section 3.10 of the Land Development Code.

Chairman Jacoby recommended that the Planning Board review a tiered matrix of different sized lots and address this as a discussion, not as an ordinance, at its next Meeting on Tuesday, October 21 at 4:00 p.m. Attorney Davis will plan to attend.

The Board members were in agreement with this recommendation.

ADJOURNMENT


Theresa B. McMaster,
City Clerk


Chairman William Jacoby

Minutes approved on 11-19-08