PLANNING BOARD

MINUTES

JULY 16, 2013

4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Ward J. Friszolowski, Chairman (Arrived at 4:05 p.m.)
Tom DeYampert, Member
Don Breitweiser, Member
Ron Holehouse, Member

ABSENT:

Mike Lehman, Member (Excused)

ALSO PRESENT:

Mary Jo Murphy, Recording Secretary
George Kinney, Community Development Director

1. **Approval of Minutes:**

Member Holehouse made a motion for the approval of the minutes for June 18, 2013. The motion was seconded by Member DeYampert and unanimously approved by a voice vote.

2. **Action Items:**

No items.

3. **Discussion Items:**

A. PACE and MMTD Update

Community Development Director Kinney reminded the Board of Susan Churuti's presentation of the PACE program a few months earlier. Ms. Churuti had stated that if Pinellas County were to begin the program, all municipalities would be included unless they opted to exclude themselves from the program. Pinellas County is in the process of developing a draft Request For Proposal which is to solicit interest in a turnkey PACE program. It is open to residential and commercial applications. The RFP may possibly be released by the end of July. Pinellas County is estimating a 3-to-4 week response period and approximately a month to review all proposals. Mr. Kinney reiterated that if Pinellas County adopts a program, the City of St. Pete Beach will be included.

Mr. Kinney spoke in reference to the Multi-Modal Transportation District. There was a proposal for the cost and it totaled approximately $50,000. The Board expressed concerns about the overall costs. Mr. Kinney stated that the comprehensive plan encourages the City to look at different transportation methodologies.

B. FY 14 Work Program

Mr. Kinney asked for input from the Planning Board about organizing projects into a work program in reference to budget considerations for Fiscal Year 2014. The following is a list of projects Mr. Kinney suggested to discuss: Couplet Scenario Modeling, Comprehensive LDC Rewrite, PAG Park Design with Historic Commission, Design Guidelines for Historic District, Concurrency and MMTD Review, Code of Ordinances for ROW, Gateway Implementation, city art program, and public building issues such as the library and police station. Mr. Kinney suggested having funding available to present a work program to review projects with a certain budget and then make recommendations for moving forward with the projects. Mr. Kinney stated his budget for this year was cut and there are no professional and contractual monies available. Mr. Kinney would like to create a work program and recommend it as part of the budget process next year to consider as soft costs to capital improvements.

Member DeYampert made a motion to recommend to the City Commission to appropriate funds for a planning budget that allows the Planning Board to work on a preliminary list of the following projects: Couplet Scenario Modeling, Comprehensive LDC Rewrite, PAG Park Design with Historic Commission, Design Guidelines for Historic District, Concurrency and MMTD Review, Code of Ordinances for ROW, and Gateway Implementation. As the Board moves forward with the projects, the Board will bring the projects, with recommendations from the Planning Board, back to the City Commission. The motion was seconded by Member Holehouse and unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Mr. Kinney stated that he has been asked to create a chart in reference to an ordinance about beach uses such as tiki huts, cabanas, chairs, tents, vehicles on the beach and alcohol on the beach. This ordinance will be discussed at the next Planning Board meeting in August.

In reference to parking, Mr. Kinney met with a consultant in Tampa. They talked about a program called Park Plus. This program can produce several model scenarios such as shared parking arrangements, calculate future parking demands, evaluate new development impacts and project event impacts.

In reference to the CRA, Mr. Kinney reported to the Board that the Resolution was approved that ratified some past approvals. The next step will be to develop a plan of how the money is to be spent on certain projects and under what priority. Currently they are waiting for the final scope from a consultant. Mr. Kinney stated he will bring this to the Board for their perusal. Mr. Kinney hopes to have this implemented by the end of the year.

Member DeYampert expressed a concern about how the two projects, Blind Pass Road and the Couplet, will work together if the Couplet comes to fruition.

Chairman Frizolowski commented about making sure that the Board collaborates with adjoining cities and the County for the planning of the light rail and bus rapid transit. Mr. Kinney informed Chairman Frizolowski that he does participate in all of the MPO meetings and gave the Board an overview of information he had gleaned from the meetings. Mr. Kinney added that the reapportionment for PPC and the MPO should happen before the end of the year.

C. General Discussion

There was no general discussion.

4. Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

Attest:

Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk

Ward Friszolowski, Chairman

Minutes approved on: 8/20/2013