

CITY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

April 24, 2012

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

PRESENT:

Steve McFarlin, Mayor
Marvin Shavlan, Vice Mayor
Beverly Garnett, Commissioner
Jim Parent, Commissioner
Lorraine Huhn, Commissioner

ALSO PRESENT:

Mike Bonfield, City Manager
Mike Davis, City Attorney
Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk
Dan O'Connor, Administrative Services Supervisor
Steve Hallock, Public Services Director
Elaine Edmunds, Finance Director
Jennifer McMahon, Recreation Director
Dave Romine, Police Chief

1. Changes to the Agenda

Mayor McFarlin requested to add a discussion concerning outsourcing the Police Department.

Commissioner Parent and City Manager Bonfield requested to add a discussion of vehicle parking on the streets.

City Attorney Davis requested to add a brief update of the Coconut Inn and Anderson cases and a request for a shade meeting during the City Attorney's Reports.

2. Presentations

Mayor McFarlin read a proclamation declaring April 27, 2012, as Arbor Day and urging all citizens to celebrate the spirit of this day.

3. Audience Comments

Deborah Schechner, Boca Ciega Isle Drive, asked where one of the Commission Chamber plaques was located. She commented that the City should apply for a portion of the Bed Tax funds related to the Republican National Convention and Spring Break events to offset the extra city services required by the activities.

City Manager Bonfield stated he would look into the location of the plaque and explained the scope of the Bed Tax funding.

Police Chief Romine explained how the Republican National Convention will affect the workload of our Police force.

4. Consent

- a. Approval of minutes for the City Commission Regular Meetings of March 27, 2012 and April 10, 2012; and the Budget Workshop Meeting of April 10, 2012.
- b. Authorize the Mayor to sign Amendment 2 to the City's State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan agreement.
- c. Authorization for the City Manager to waive associated fees and allow the Gulf Beaches Kiwanis Club to conduct a child swimming safety and drowning prevention program at the Community Center Pool in May 2012.

Commissioner Parent moved to approve Consent Agenda Items (a) through (c) as written. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Shavlan. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

5. Action Items

- a. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a professional services agreement with Woods Consulting for the design and permitting of the Community Center Dock Project in the amount of \$26,500.

City Manager Bonfield explained the action item.

Commissioner Parent moved to approve Action Item 5(a), to authorize the City Manager to enter into a professional services agreement with Woods Consulting for the design and permitting of the Community Center Dock Project in the amount of \$26,500. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Shavlan.

Mayor McFarlin called for audience comments.

Deborah Schechner, Boca Ciega Isle Drive, voiced her concern related to the effect of the docks on manatees and other wildlife and recommended a cost analysis on the project.

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

The motion passed by a 3 to 2 vote with Commissioners Garnett and Huhn voting no.

- b. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a professional service agreement with CPWG in the amount of \$89,800 for updating the City's Storm Water Master Plan.

Commissioner Garnett moved to authorize the City Manager to enter into a professional service agreement with CPWG in the amount of \$89,800 for updating the City's Storm Water Master Plan. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Shavlan. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

6. Ordinances

- a. Ordinance 2012-05, First Reading and Public Hearing, authorizing dogs on Boca Ciega Bay beaches.

City Manager Bonfield recommended revising the wording of the proposed ordinance to 'prohibit dogs on beaches abutting the Gulf of Mexico'.

Commissioner Garnett moved to approve Item 6(a), Ordinance 2012-05, an ordinance of the City of St. Pete Beach, Pinellas County, Florida, providing for amendment of Section 14-35 and Subsection 58-25(C) of the code of ordinances, pertaining to dogs on beaches; changing the code of ordinances to prohibit dogs on beaches abutting the Gulf of Mexico; providing for the repeal of ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, to the extent of such conflict; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date.

Mayor McFarlin called for audience comments.

David Kramer, Pass-a-Grille Way, distributed pamphlets to the Commission regarding dogs on beaches and spoke in opposition to the proposed ordinance.

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

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

- b. Ordinance 2012-06, First Reading and Public Hearing, an ordinance of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida providing for an increase in budgeted monies in the general and wastewater funds for fiscal year ending September 30, 2012 and providing for funding.

Commissioner Parent moved to approve Item 6(b), Ordinance 2012-06, an ordinance of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida providing a supplemental appropriation to the General and Wastewater Funds for fiscal year ending September 30, 2012; also for the capital for a fire truck; providing for funding; providing for an effective date.

Mayor McFarlin called for audience comments.

There were no audience comments.

Finance Director Edmunds answered questions and concerns related to the budget.

Hearing no Commission comments, Mayor McFarlin called for the vote.

The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

7. Resolutions

There were no resolutions.

8. Items for Discussion

- a. Discussion concerning outsourcing the Police Department

Mayor McFarlin read a statement concerning outsourcing the City's Police services.

After discussion, City Manager Bonfield responded that he would request a proposal, for budgetary purposes, from the Pinellas County Sheriff on providing services to the City of St. Pete Beach.

- b. Administrative Services Supervisor O'Connor gave a presentation on vehicle parking options. Proposed options include:
 - Gulf Winds south of 2nd St East – no parking
 - East side of Gulf Winds between 64th and 2nd St East - meters
 - West side of Gulf Winds between 67th and 64th - B permit
 - Gulf Winds between 67th and Bay St - B permit
 - 64th between Gulf Blvd and Gulf Winds – no parking
 - 67th between Gulf Blvd and Gulf Winds – no parking
 - Bay St between Gulf Winds and 64th – B permit
 - 67th between Gulf Winds and Bay St – B permit

- South side of 64th from Gulf Winds to 430 64th – no parking
- 64th from 1st Palm Point to 425 64th - no parking
- 64th from Gulf Winds to 3rd Palm Point – B permit
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd Palm Point – B permit
- Sunset Way from 66th to 64th – meters on one side
- 66th between Sunset Way and Gulf Blvd - no parking on other side
- 64th between Sunset Way and Gulf Blvd - no parking on other side

9. City Manager, City Attorney and City Commission Reports

City Manager Bonfield reported that the Gulf Boulevard landscaping bid was approved and that the electric car charging stations are being installed at City Hall. Mr. Bonfield remarked that the 'Hooked on Fishing' event at Merry Pier was a success and that this week's Horan Park open market is cancelled due to maintenance work. Summer camp registration is open and ten new specialty camps have been added to the schedule. Mr. Bonfield noted that the Finance and Budget Review Committee will meet on Thursday, May 3rd and the Beach Stewardship Board will meet on Monday, April 30th. City Manager Bonfield announced that the new Community Development Director will start work on Monday, April 30. The City Manager reviewed the items scheduled for the May 8th Commission meeting agenda.

City Attorney Davis gave a brief update on the Coconut Inn and Anderson cases. Mr. Davis solicited Commission advice regarding the litigation and recommended that the Commission schedule two shade meetings prior to May 10, 2012, to separately discuss each case.

It was the consensus of the Commission to schedule two separate shade meetings for Tuesday, May 8; the first shade meeting to begin at 4:00 p.m. and the second shade meeting to immediately follow.

Commissioner Garnett thanked the volunteers and staff of the 'Beach Goes Pops' event. She mentioned that her next resident meeting is Wednesday, May 2nd at 6:00 p.m. at the Don Vista Center. Commissioner Garnett reminded everyone to support their local merchants.

Vice Mayor Shavlan reported that the 'Make-A-Wish' event raised over \$45,000 and thanked all the local businesses who donated to the event.

Commissioner Parent commended the 'Beach Goes Pops' staff for making the event a success. He reported that he will attend the 'Big C' meeting on the morning of Wednesday, April 25th and that his 'Round Table' meeting is 6:30 p.m. at the Library that same evening.

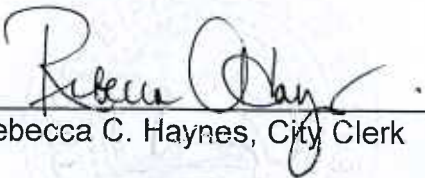
Commissioner Huhn reported that she attended and enjoyed the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council orientation meeting. She will hold an Advisory Group meeting on May 3rd and she reminded everyone that the Corey Market will run through the end of May.

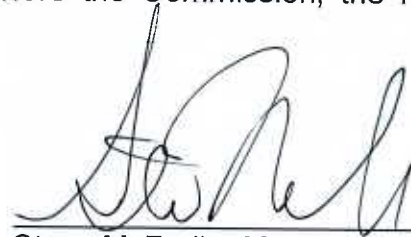
Commission Huhn noted the Fourth Friday Food Truck event will take place on Corey Avenue on April 27th.

Mayor McFarlin thanked the organizers of the 'Beach Goes Pops' event.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk

Steve McFarlin, Mayor

Minutes approved on: 5/8/2012