CITY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

October 23, 2012

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

PRESENT:

Steve McFarlin, Mayor
Marvin Shavlan, Vice Mayor
Jim Parent, Commissioner

ABSENT:

Lorraine Huhn, Commissioner (excused)
Bev Garnett, Commissioner (excused)

ALSO PRESENT:

Mike Bonfield, City Manager
Mike Davis, City Attorney
Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk
Steve Hallock, Public Services Director
Jennifer McMahon, Recreation Director
Catherine Hartley, City Planner

1. Changes to the Agenda

City Manager Bonfield requested to add, under Presentations, a discussion with Waste Services Inc. regarding trash collection services; and add a resolution regarding Amendment 4 under Resolutions.

Commissioner Parent requested to add parking on 4th Palm Point under Items for Discussion.

2. Presentations

Fred Olson and Ian Boyle, representatives from Waste Services Inc., discussed the recently awarded franchise agreement and answered questions regarding services.

It was the consensus to request Waste Services Inc. to review their contract and return with an alternative quote for services provided under the previous contract.

3. Audience Comments

Deborah Schechner, Boca Ciega Isle Drive, spoke in favor of a bed tax.

Rick Falkenstein, 4th Palm Point, supported the previous trash collection schedule and spoke about the ballot language regarding the law enforcement services referendum.

Mike Bomar, 4th Palm Point, spoke in favor of the previous trash collection schedule.

Jake Jacobus, 4th Palm Point, spoke in favor of retaining the previous trash collection schedule.

4. Consent

a. Approval of minutes for the Regular City Commission Meeting of September 12, 2012; September 27, 2012; and the Shade Meeting of October 9, 2012

b. Authorize the City Manager to purchase St. Pete Beach Classic race t-shirts from Leslie Jordan Apparel in the amount of $14,875.

c. Approve the expenditure of $18,665 to complete the replacement of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) bottles as a sole source purchase through Ten-8 Fire Equipment.

d. Approve the expenditure of $21,990 to purchase and install new station audio/decoding equipment at fire station 22 and 23 through Suncoast Communications utilizing the Pinellas County Radio Equipment Bid.

e. Approve the expenditure of $11,664 to provide Firefighter physicals from Life Extension Clinics, Inc utilizing the Brevard County public bid.

f. Ratification of the City Manager's decision to pay Gulf Coast Auto Body & Service $12,445.99 to repair damage caused to a police vehicle involved in a collision August, 5, 2012.

g. Authorize payment of the annual software maintenance contract with Tyler Technologies for financial account software in the amount of $11,383.66.

h. Authorize the City Manager to award the contract for timing of the St Pete Beach Classic race to Event Technical Services in the amount of $14,487.

i. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Quorum Services on an "as needed" for Building Inspection and Plan Review Services.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Shavlan to approve the Consent Agenda as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parent and approved by a 3-0-2 roll call vote, with Commissioners Garnett and Huhn absent.

5. Action Items

a. FDOT installation of two new crosswalks at the median island 200' north of 52nd Ave and at the median island 600' north of 52nd Ave on Gulf Boulevard (SR-699).

City Manager Bonfield explained that because of complaints, FDOT conducted a pedestrian survey and concluded two new pedestrian crosswalks were needed along Gulf Boulevard. One controlled crosswalk would be located in front of the Sirata Hotel and the second located across the street from Plaza Green.

Commissioner Parent made a motion to support the FDOT installation of one (1) new crosswalk at the median island 200' north of 52nd Avenue. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Shavlan and approved by a 3-0-2 roll call vote, with Commissioners Garnett and Huhn absent.

6. Ordinances

a. Ordinance 2012-17, Final Reading and Public Hearing, amending instructor fee section 58-3(F) (5) of the fee ordinance.

The proposed ordinance amends the instructor fee process whereby the City collects the program fees and pays the instructors 70% to 90%.

City Manager Bonfield requested to amend the payment date to the 15th of the following month.

Vice Mayor Shavlan made a motion to approve Ordinance 2012-17, an ordinance of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida providing for amendment of Section 58-3 of Article I of Chapter 58 of the Code of Ordinances, pertaining to parks and recreation; providing for severability; providing of the repeal of all ordinances in conflict herewith, to the extent of such conflict; and providing for an effective date, with the above amended payment date. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parent.

Mayor McFarlin called for audience comments. There were no audience comments.

Mayor McFarlin called for Commission comments. There were no additional comments.

Mayor McFarlin called for the vote.

The motion was approved by a 3-0-2 roll call vote, with Commissioners Garnett and Huhn absent.

b. Ordinance 2012-21, First Reading and Public Hearing, Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan, Amending the Bayou Residential Character District to allow for commercial uses to be mixed with temporary lodging uses, removing the two-acre minimum developable site limitation, removing the temporary lodging unit per-project cap, and modifying floor area ratio and setback site requirements.

City Manager Bonfield reported that proposed Ordinance 2012-21 (Comprehensive Plan amendment) is consistent with Item 6(b), Ordinance 2012-22 (Land Development Code amendment).

City Planner Hartley presented an informational sheet to the Commissioners and members of the public, and requested members of the audience sign in to speak. Ms. Hartley noted the first amendment relates to the Community Redevelopment District in the Bayou Residential Character District and the second proposed ordinance relates to the Bayou Residential Zoning District. Ms. Hartley explained that two issues staff identified are code and comprehensive plan requirements with respect to lot size, and restricted commercial use designation. Staff proposed to remove the two acre minimum requirement. The City Planner further explained that the changes will allow for the completion of a project as it was initially proposed.

Commissioner Parent made a motion to approve Item 6(b), an ordinance of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida providing for amendments to the comprehensive plan as they relate to the Community Redevelopment District; amending the Bayou Residential Sub-District regarding the allocation of temporary lodging units from the density pool and the regulation and site requirements of temporary lodging and mixed uses, further illustrated in Exhibit "A"; providing for the repeal of the ordinances, or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith, to the extent of such conflict; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Shavlan.

Mayor McFarlin called for audience comments. There were no audience comments.

Mayor McFarlin called for Commission comments. There were no additional comments.

Mayor McFarlin called for the vote.

The motion was approved by a 3-0-2 roll call vote, with Commissioners Garnett and Huhn absent.

c. Ordinance 2012-22, First Reading and Public Hearing, Amendment to the Land Development Code, Amending the Bayou Residential Character District to allow for commercial uses to be mixed with temporary lodging uses, removing the two-acre minimum developable site limitation, removing the temporary lodging unit per-project cap, and modifying floor area ratio and setback site requirements.

Vice Mayor Shavlan made a motion to approve Item 6(c), an ordinance of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida providing for the amendments to the Land Development Code as they relate to the Community Redevelopment District; amending the Bayou Residential Zoning District regarding the allocation of the temporary lodging units from the density pool and the regulation and site requirements of temporary lodging and mixed uses, further illustrated in Exhibit "A"; 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. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parent.

Mayor McFarlin called for audience comments. There were no audience comments.

Mayor McFarlin called for Commission comments. There were no comments.

Mayor McFarlin called for the vote.

The motion was approved by a 3-0-2 roll call vote, with Commissioners Garnett and Huhn absent.

7. Resolutions

a. Resolution 2012-17, concerning Amendment 4 to the Florida Constitution

Commissioner Parent reported that he brought forth the proposed resolution which reduces revenues to municipalities by prohibiting increases in the assessed value of homestead properties if the value of the property decreases, by granting breaks to non-homestead properties by extending the sunset provision, and shifts the tax burden to new or growing businesses.

Commissioner Parent made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-17, a resolution of the City of St. Pete Beach concerning Amendment 4 to the Florida Constitution which, if adopted, would create additional inequities in Florida's tax system by granting certain tax breaks to some taxpayers at the expense of other taxpayers. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Shavlan and approved by a 3-0-2 roll call vote, with Commissioners Garnett and Huhn absent.

8. Items for Discussion

a. Parking at 4th Palm Point

Commissioner Parent requested additional clarification on recently adopted parking regulations. Staff will research the restrictions and return with the new guidelines for the area east of 4th Palm Point, particularly 64th Avenue.

9. City Manager, City Attorney and City Commission Reports

City Manager Bonfield reminded everyone that the last Friday night Concert in the Park is this Friday at Horan Park; he discussed the BP oil spill deadlines; and provided an update on the status of the underground utility project on Gulf Boulevard and the Pinellas Bayway Bridge closings. Mr. Bonfield then listed the November 13 agenda items.

City Attorney Davis discussed two code enforcement cases and provided an update on the Anderson case re-hearing scheduled for October 31, 2012.

Vice Mayor Shavlan reported on the upcoming homeowner meetings at Seamark, Belle Vista and Lido, and welcomed anyone who wishes to participate.

Commissioner Parent noted his roundtable meeting is 6:00 p.m. on October 31 at the Library and reported on the Friday Food Truck event on October 26 along Corey Avenue.

Mayor McFarlin commented on the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Attest:

Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk

Steve McFarlin, Mayor

Minutes approved on: 11-13-2012