

MAYOR/COMMISSION WORK SESSION

JUNE 12, 2006

Room 519 – 10:30 a.m.

Present: Mayor Frankel, Commissioners Exline, Moss [left at 12:24 p.m.], Muoio and Robinson, Jr., City Administrator Mitchell, City Attorney McKenna, City Clerk Kauthen; **Absent:** Commissioner Mitchell.

7. **Other** – City Administrator Ed Mitchell stated that he requested that staff from the Police, Fire, and Code Departments update the Mayor on complaints from residents in the past seven days. Police Lieutenant Daniel Sargent, Police Chief Delsa Bush and Code Compliance Manager Todd Hiteshew provided details.

Commissioner Robinson requested that staff look at drafting an ordinance [a] to close 24-hour convenient stores in the residential areas; and [b] regarding the turn around time on code violations.

Commissioner Moss stated he would like to reinstate the Community Policing Program.

The Mayor [a] discussed an article in CNN regarding crime; [b] suggested a workshop be held for further discussion; [c] directed staff to invite Barry Krisher, the author of the CNN article, the Chief of Police, a representative from the PAL, Urban Impact, Parks and Recreation and School Board to the workshop; [d] directed staff to help identify the hotspots; [e] directed Commissioner Muoio and Education Liaison Tyvi Small to meet with 5th grade teachers to identify issues; and [f] requested a follow up from staff on the Criminal Justice Commission meeting. Commissioner Muoio stated at the workshop she wants [a] information on prevention; [b] information on immediate intervention; and [c] to see statistics on violators.

2.	<p><u>Code Enforcement and Construction Services Process to Alleviate Overcrowding of Single-Family/Apartment Residences</u> – Commissioner Moss [a] noted the City has subpoena power to regulate overcrowding; and [b] stated the City needs to be more aggressive on fines. The Mayor suggested that the Administration, Law and Code Departments drive around the City with the Commissioners and herself to look at the issue and discuss solutions.</p>
1.	<p><u>Moving the Qualifying Date for City Commission Election from 30 days to 90 days</u> – Commissioner Moss suggested moving the Qualifying date from 30 to 90 days in order to [a] have an advantage on campaigning; [b] know who your competition is; and [c] provide more time for the voters to know their candidates. City Attorney Claudia McKenna stated [a] she will research the state law to see if there are any regulations regarding the qualifying period. The Mayor stated she wants to know what other jurisdictions are requiring. City Administrator Ed Mitchell stated he will bring back the information to the Commission within 30 days.</p>
3.	<p><u>Spencer Drive Presentation</u> – Director of Engineering Services Jonathan Bramley noted that there will be a public hearing on June 22nd, 2006 regarding Spencer Drive. Dennis Thomas made a presentation for the Mayor and Commissioners on widening Spencer Drive to either three or five lanes. The Mayor directed [a] a staff member from Planning and at least one Commissioner to be in attendance at the public hearing; [b] staff to add the meeting date to her calendar; and [c] staff to reschedule the meeting so that at least one Commissioner can attend, as long as notices have not yet been mailed to residents. It was later determined that notices have not been sent.</p>

4.	<p><u>Port of Palm Beach Corridor Analysis</u> – Senior Planner Alex Hansen made a presentation and discussed the Preliminary Corridor Alternatives that are being evaluated by FDOT. The Mayor suggested opposing any plans for an elevated crossing in the City. Mr. Hansen noted that the Project Manager with FDOT is willing to meet with any City officials to discuss any concerns. The Mayor [a] suggested Commissioners Exline and Moss attend the meeting this Thursday where the final draft report will be presented; and [b] stated she will lobby County Commissioner Jeff Koons.</p>
5.	<p><u>Generator Incentive Program</u> – City Administrator Ed Mitchell noted there has been little support for the Generator Incentive Program. City Planner Amy Stelly made a presentation and noted [a] eight gas stations independent of the City are equipped with portable generators; and [b] there is a need for a gas station to be equipped for a generator in the western communities. The Mayor [a] directed City Administrator Ed Mitchell to work with the western communities and try to motivate them to join the program; and [b] directed staff to look at the cost of portable generators to rent to gas stations.</p>
7.	<p><u>Other</u> – City Attorney Claudia McKenna spoke about the mining and the Lake Belt issue that is occurring south of the City and asked the Commission whether the City wants to file an Amicus Brief. Commissioner Moss stated he has a conflict and will not enter into discussions on this item. The Mayor stated there is not enough information to make a decision. Ms. McKenna stated she will keep the Commission informed on what happens.</p> <p>City Attorney Claudia McKenna [a] noted that properties west of Olive Avenue have the ability to participate in the Residential Incentive Program; [b] stated that due to the fact</p>

	<p>that the City is not receiving any site applications under the Zoning In Progress, they can't meet the deadline of June 30th for the Banyan Corridor RFP; and [c] suggested that when the City issues the Zoning In Progress Extension a provision be included that states those properties west of Olive Avenue that intend to take advantage of the Residential Incentive, once the Zoning in Progress is limited, may at least file their site plan solely for the purpose of preserving the timing under the Residential Incentive. It was the consensus of the Commission to do so.</p>
8.	<p><u>Adjournment</u> – 12:25 p.m.</p>