

**MAYOR/COMMISSION WORK SESSION**

**April 16, 2007**

**Room 519 – 10:35 a.m.**

**Present: Mayor Frankel, Commissioners Douglas, Mitchell, Moss, Muoio and Robinson, Jr., City Administrator Mitchell, Deputy City Attorney Urcheck and City Clerk Kauthen.**

<b>18.</b>	<b><u>Other</u> – Commissioner Moss stated that at the last meeting it was decided that they would start the Mayor/Commission Work Sessions at 10:00 a.m. rather than 10:30 a.m. It was the consensus of the Commission [a] to begin at 10:00 a.m.; [b] to use the first half hour for any major issues on the agenda; [c] to use 10:30 a.m. to noon for all the other items; and [d] to decide at the end of the meeting what the major issue would be for the next Mayor/Commission Work Session.</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b><u>Coleman Park</u> – The Mayor discussed doing analysis of every lot and who owns it, as a result of last weeks meeting. Commissioner Robinson informed the Commission that Coleman Park is the only neighborhood that encompasses two districts. It was the consensus of the Commission that this agenda item would be tabled until the next Mayor/Commission Work Session. The Mayor stated that they would have the data by then.</b>
<b>1.</b>	<b><u>Maritime Museum</u> – Commissioner Moss [a] spoke of making the museum more accessible to the surrounding communities; and [b] mentioned issues with the restrooms, lights and CMR. Commissioner Mitchell stated for the record that at the time the building was built the City and the Museum had entered into an agreement and it did not require to be open to the public at all times. The Mayor questioned who had built it. Assistant City Attorney Payson explained the Lease Agreement between the City and the Maritime Museum. Representative for the Museum Mr. Grant answered questions posed by the commissioners. The Mayor suggested that the</b>

	<p><b>Parks and Recreation Committee visit the Museum and a provide recommendations.</b></p>
<p><b>2.</b></p>	<p><b><u>Feasibility Study for PBI A Expansion/Western Airport</u> – Commissioner Moss [a] explained that Donald Trump’s representatives had recently clarified that Donald Trump himself is not opposing the expansion of the Palm Beach International Airport, but his Mar-a-Lago Club is; [b] stated that currently the Mar-a-Lago Club’s interests regarding the expansion parallel those of the City; [c] suggested that the City meet with Mar-a-Lago’s attorneys to try and encourage Palm Beach County to discuss the feasibility of building a regional airport out west; and [d] stated that Mar-a-Lago’s attorneys had also suggested that the Boca Raton Airport, the North County Airport, the Palm Beach County Airpark in Lantana and the Palm Beach International Airport be thought of collectively so that the smaller airports in the County also receive their fair share of general and private aviation. The Mayor noted that Palm Beach County Commissioner Koons had stated that there is not enough money to build an airport out west. It was the consensus of the Commission to [a] request that the Legal Staff coordinate with Mar-a-Lago’s attorneys to create a plan of action; and [b] discuss this matter further at a City Commission Workshop.</b></p>
<p><b>3.</b></p>	<p><b><u>Family Plan Rates for Phipps Park Skate Park</u> – Commissioner Moss [a] noted that since the City took over the management of the park there has been great progress. [b] noted that the current financial membership policy currently was reiterated; and [c] suggested that there should be a review of the policy to implement a family rate. Parks and Recreation Director Thrower informed the Commission on the financial aspects of running the Park. Commissioner Moss asked that Parks and Recreation provide the Commission with an analysis of the fee structure, encompassing a family rate and a rate for non- residents. Commissioner Mitchell commented on the lack of pedestrian crossings for the park, and that the</b></p>

	<p>family plan should only apply to residents. Parks and Recreation Director Thrower commented about previous financial studies and stated she will look into a crosswalk.</p>
4.	<p><b><u>Enforcement of Permits at our Parks</u></b> – Commissioner Moss [a] proposed that people playing organized sports in the parks get a permit; and [b] requested that the Crime Committee provide recommendations to the Commission.</p>
18.	<p><b><u>Other [continued]</u></b> – Commissioner Robinson asked the Mayor and the Commissioners for a resumption of meetings with sister cities; Riviera Beach, Lake Worth, Palm Beach and the County.</p>
5.	<p><b><u>Plans for Vacant Infill Lots</u></b> – Commissioner Robinson requested that the Mayor’s staff look into City owned lots between Sapodilla and Henrietta Avenues. Mayor responded that there would be someone coming in to talk about all the City owned parcels.</p>
6.	<p><b><u>Resolution No. 140-04 and Resolution No. 288-04 – Utility Services Deposit</u></b> – Commissioner Robinson requested that the resolutions be revisited, specifically what the deposits are used for, and the quantity and districts of people who have been effected since the resolutions were implemented. Customer Services Superintendent Schooley explained the billing process. Fiscal Services Manager Williams explained how and why the resolutions went into effect. Commissioner Robinson concluded that if the resolutions are to remain in effect, that this should be reemphasized on future bills.</p>
7.	<p><b><u>Florida Mock Trial National Competition – Palm Beach Lakes High School</u></b> – Commissioner Robinson [a] inquired if Channel 18 could be used to promote the educational accomplishments in the area; and [b] encouraged the Commission to pledge money towards the Palm Beach Lakes High School students going to Dallas. The Commissioners all agreed to pledge.</p>

8.	<b><u>Recycling Bins in City Parks</u></b> – Commissioner Douglas proposed putting recycle bins in the park.
9.	<b><u>UMI Village</u></b> – Commissioner Douglas [a] noted that UMI Village now houses two sexual predators; [b] noted that it is right across the street from a family with two children and down the street from a new elementary school; and [c] wondered if there was something that might be done about the situation. The Mayor suggested Commissioner Douglas speak with Linda DePiano. Commissioner Mitchell suggested speaking with Paula Ryan.
10.	<b><u>Stagnant Building Projects</u></b> – The Mayor stated that she had asked Planning Director Wu to return with information about these lots. Commissioner Muoio suggested for future projects securing a restoration bond. It was the consensus of the Commission to direct the Planning Department staff to come up with some ideas. Commissioner Moss stated that Code Enforcement Department should be enforcing the current laws.
11.	<b><u>Ordinance Declaring Winner of City Election by Majority of Votes (negating need for Run-off When Victory is Less than 50%+1)</u></b> – Deputy City Attorney Urcheck stated she would research and revisit this issue.
12.	<b><u>Discussion of Scheduling a Workshop on the Design of the North Flagler Project</u></b> – This item was not discussed.
13.	<b><u>Proposed Resolution Opposing Callery-Judge</u></b> – It was the consensus of the Commission to move forward.
14.	<b><u>Discussion Re: Proposed Workshop (Code Enforcement/Nuisance Abatement)</u></b> – Commissioner Mitchell stated she would make a presentation to the Commission at the next City Commission Workshop.

15.	<p><b><u>Discussion of Second Reading of Wal-Mart Application</u></b> – Commissioner Mitchell stated that affordable housing should have been included in the project and would like to postpone the second reading so that the issue can be further explored. Commissioner Robinson concurred with Commissioner Mitchell. Planning and Zoning staff indicated that Wal-Mart is too far along with the project. The Mayor inquired if there are any conditions that can be placed on the project. Deputy City Attorney Urcheck responded that conditions could be placed on the project, however it was something that all Commissioners had to agree on.</p>
18.	<p><b><u>Other [continued]</u></b> – Commissioner Mitchell noted that 2803 Broadway is on the docket to be sold due to a tax bill. Staff noted that the matter is being taken care of.</p>
17.	<p><b><u>Mayor's Matters</u></b> – The Mayor [a] indicated that the Commissioners may be lobbied in the next few weeks by Ron Collins with regards to 1 North Clematis; [b] debriefed the Commission regarding the traffic problem on Alhambra Place and the recommendation from the Traffic Calming Committee. Commissioner Moss stated that the Commission shouldn't come to a consensus until the Commission has heard from the public.</p> <p>The Mayor concluded by discussion among the Commission the topics for the next Mayor/Commission Work Session: Coleman Park, Code Enforcement, Alhambra Place and Roebuck Road.</p>
19.	<p><b><u>Adjournment</u></b> – 12:15 p.m.</p>