

**CITY OF ANNA MARIA
CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION
MEETING HELD AT ANNA MARIA COUNCIL CHAMBERS
10005 GULF DRIVE – ANNA MARIA, FL
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2011
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Mattick called the Work Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL: Mayor Michael Selby, Commissioner Dale Woodland, Vice-Chair Jo Ann Mattick, and Commissioner Eugene Aubry.

Absent w/excuse: Commissioner John Quam and Commission Chair Chuck Webb.

Staff Present: City Clerk Alice Baird, City Attorney Jim Dye, Building Official Bob Welch, City Planner Alan Garrett, and Minutes Clerk Stacey Johnston.

Press: Sun and Islander.

1. Discussion Regarding Ordinance No. 11-716 – Pine Avenue Parking.

It was consensus of the Commission that due to the absence of Commissioner Quam and Chair Webb, that the First Reading of Ordinance No. 11-716 be continued until the Regular Meeting on February 24, 2011.

*After discussion of Agenda Item # 2, the following action was taken:

Public Comment

Micheal Coleman, Pine Ave. suggested that the title block be read for First Reading so that the Ordinance and Public Hearing could be advertised for Second Reading at the February 24, 2011 regular meeting.

City Attorney Dye noted that if the Commission wished they would have the option to continue the Ordinance at the February 24, 2011 meeting to a date and time certain since the Public Hearing will have been noticed. It was Commission consensus that the Ordinance title be read for First Reading.

City Clerk Baird read the Ordinance by title.

Public Hearing for Ordinance 11-716 will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2011.

2. Discussion Regarding Draft Election Ordinance No. 11-718 - Setting Qualifying Dates & Providing Amendment to the Canvassing Board Membership.

City Clerk Baird announced she had been in contact with Nancy at the Supervisor of Elections Office. Anna Maria will need to change their qualifying dates when not piggy-backing with the County and State elections in order to allow the Supervisor of Elections Office time to get the ballots out. City Clerk Baird informed that the proposed qualifying dates would be the last two working week days in August – ending the last Friday in August.

Ordinance 11-718 also makes changes to Sec. 22-9. Canvass of returns and certificate of results of canvass. For instances in which a city election is held in conjunction with a county, state, or federal election, the Manatee County Canvassing Board shall serve as the city canvassing board and will also certify the city elections.

Due to recent State guidelines relating to the "Canvassing Board – Disqualifications of Member", The City Canvassing Board, for those city elections not held in conjunction with a county, state, or federal election, will be amended. The proposed Ordinance changes the City's canvassing board members from the City Clerk and two City

Commissioners to the City Clerk and two qualified electors of the City appointed by the Mayor.

City Attorney Dye informed that the Ordinance block could be read and First Reading of the Ordinance could be held that evening.

City Clerk Baird read the Ordinance by title.

Commissioner Woodland referred to the October 15, 2009 letter from the FL Department of State. He pointed out that the letter referenced two separate actions – “holding a campaign sign” versus “display of a campaign sign”. Commissioner Woodland asked for clarification.

City Attorney Dye will follow up by reviewing the September 26, 2008 Division of Elections Opinion 08-10.

Public Hearing for Ordinance 11-718 will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2011.

* Action taken regarding Ordinance 11-716. See Agenda item # 1.

3. Discussion Regarding Stop Signs at Humpback Bridge and new Stop Sign Request at Jacaranda & Alamanda.

Vice-Chair Mattick noted that Commissioner Quam asked that this item be placed on the agenda. She recommended discussion be postponed in order to allow Commissioner Quam to present the item.

Public Works Director McKay said many residents feel there should be a stop sign at Jacaranda and Alamanda. Commissioner Quam had conducted a survey at that area and wanted to present it to the City Commission.

4. Discussion Regarding Request for Proposals for Solid Waste/Recycling Contract.

Public Works Director McKay informed that the Waste Management contract will be up for renewal in August 2012. Staff would like guidelines as to whether or not to go out for an RFP or to renegotiate with Waste Management.

Vice-Chair Mattick felt it would be better for all three Island communities to negotiate one contract.

City Attorney Dye informed that Holmes Beach renewed a 5-yr contract with Waste Management last year.

Mayor Selby noted that Bradenton Beach has their own trash services but was currently going out for an RFP. He explained that a 150-day notice is required to be sent to Waste Management if the City intends to go out for an RFP. He said the notice would need to be sent no later than November 2011 since negotiations could take approximately one year.

Vice-Chair Mattick asked if the City could negotiate a shorter contract that would allow Anna Maria to work with Bradenton Beach. She also suggested the City view Bradenton Beach's RFP results once they were opened.

Commissioner Woodland said he was very happy with the services provided by Waste Management but felt it would be best to pursue an RFP to insure the best cost efforts.

Public Comment

Janet Aubry agreed with Commissioner Woodland and felt that the City should go out for RFP's on everything from now on.

Sandy Mattick, Pine Ave. felt it would be best for all three Cities, and for Waste Management, if there was one contract.

Frank Pytel, S. Bay Blvd. asked if there would be a savings to only have one pickup per weeks versus two.

Commissioner Woodland said he had previously suggested the one pickup per week and found it to be a very controversial issue. He noted, however, with the new trash containers being much larger and not being kept inside the home, it might be possible to now eliminate the Thursday pickups.

Additional Discussion

Reimbursement Policy for Permit Fees

Commissioner Woodland asked that an item be added to a future Work Session under New Business relating to – Reimbursement policy for permit fees. Discussion followed.

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

Mayor Selby announced that both Commissioner Quam and Chair Webb were absent that evening due to deaths in their families.

Press Comment on Agenda Items Only – None.

Adjournment

Commissioner Aubry moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m. Commissioner Woodland seconded the motion. Motion carried – All Aye.

The next Regular Commission Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 24, 2011.



Alice Baird, CMC, City Clerk