



City of Anna Maria

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MINUTES CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2011 – 6:00 P.M.

Pledge of Conduct: We may disagree, but we will be respectful of one another. We will direct all comments to the issues. We will avoid personal attacks.

CALL TO ORDER


Chair Webb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Michael Selby, Vice-Chair Jo Ann Mattick, Commissioner Dale Woodland, Chair Chuck Webb, Commissioner John Quam, and Commissioner Aubry.

Also Present: City Clerk Alice Baird, Building Official Bob Welch, Public Works Director George McKay, and Minutes Clerk Stacey Johnston.

- 1. Keep Manatee Beautiful Landscaping Presentation to City by Ingrid McClellan** 
Ingrid McClellan, Executive Director of Keep Manatee Beautiful, informed that their 20th Anniversary awards celebration was the previous month; however, representatives from Anna Maria were unable to attend. A paperweight was presented to each Commissioner. She also presented a Certificate of Appreciation for the Anna Maria Historic Pier Enhancements and Landscaping.


Commissioner Mattick invited Ms. McClellan to the Ribbon Cutting to be held at the City Pier on Monday, November 7, 2011 at 3:00 p.m.

- 2. First Reading Ordinance 11-728 – Firearms Regulations**

City Clerk Baird read the Ordinance by title.


Chair Webb explained that over the years the Legislature has removed the ability for City's and County's to regulate firearms. It is now illegal for the City's to have any Ordinances having to do with firearms and they will be penalized if any are kept on the books. Ordinance 11-728 removes those Ordinances.

Second Reading of Ordinance 11-728 will be held on November 17, 2011, 6:00 p.m.

- 3. Request from North End Merchants Organization (NEMO) Regarding Banners** 
Commissioner Mattick informed that after the holiday banners are removed, NEMO hopes to replace them with newly created banners in the Business District (total of 25). NEMO is asking for the Commission's tentative approval so they may move forward to design a banner and bring back to the Commission for their final approval. All costs to be absorbed by NEMO but they are asking for assistance by the City to put them up. No advertising would be placed on the banner.

Mayor Selby agreed there should be no advertising or logos on the proposed banners. He noted that the banners will often blow down and would have to be maintained by the Public Works department.

It was the consensus that the Commission will consider approval based on the final banner design. NEMO was asked to bring the proposed design back to the Commission.

- 4. Use of Six Lots (Pine and N. Bay Blvd)** 
Mayor Selby announced that various suggested uses for the six lots have been received from residents and visitors. He noted there had been Commission consensus for open space.

Commissioner Woodland suggested utilizing a two-tiered concept - each Commissioner provide a list of proposed uses, uses they were opposed to, and general guidelines. He suggested:

- Open space
- Use of west side of the property – close to property line – for future placement of cottages donated by others.
- Opposed to bandstand/clamshell concept in order to limit high impact events.
- Limited head-in parking on N. Bay Blvd. No parking on Pine Ave. side.
- Determine what FDOT right-of-way requirements will be for the future. Not place any landscaping on the portion dedicated by FDOT for the future bridge right-of-way.



Commissioner Mattick:

- Open air structure/open architecture to be located back by the canal – back corner angled out toward the City Pier area. Naming rights to the pavilion to help pay for the structure.
- More community and cultural events to be held. Examples include AMI Orchestra & Chorus, plays, open-air classrooms, Sunrise Easter Services, etc.
- Parking.
- Native plants and vegetation.
- Seating comparable to that at City Pier.
- Events such as chili cook-offs, etc. as fundraisers that will help pay for the property.
- Opposed to placing historical buildings on the property due to the maintenance requirements.



Commissioner Aubry:

- Stated it was difficult to do nothing on the property. He felt the space should be made to look as beautiful as the beach.
- No pavilion.
- No parking, paving, etc. Felt the property was not purchased for additional Pier parking.
- Noted that any physical structure placed on the property would have to be maintained by the City.
- Get as close back to nature as possible.



Commissioner Quam:

- Agreed with open space and small parking area – no historic buildings. During campaigning he heard from approximately 100 persons including:
 - The majority wanted open space, landscaping, small parking area, and benches.
 - Two festivals per year, special events – but not on a monthly basis. Use for fundraising events, etc.
 - Small gazebo – no other buildings on the property.
 - Place wireless facility there.
 - Use the property as a Trolley turn-around.
 - Sand.



Mayor Selby reminded that City Attorney Dye had informed that no building was allowed on the property but the use would need to be identified.

Commissioner Quam informed that no building could be placed on the site and then leased.



Public Comment



Tom Turner, N. Shore Dr, agreed with placing a small gazebo. He was opposed to any electric car parking stations but felt limited parking should be allowed. He felt there should be some shrubbery and live oaks along the west side for enhancement of the property. Mr. Turner was opposed to a band shell.

Mr. Turner informed that he would commit to donate \$5,000 towards development of the property.

Micheal Coleman, Pine Ave, did not want to see the property utilized as a parking lot. He felt the primary opportunity for the property would be for open space. He also agreed with placement of landscaping, a community garden, and only 30 to 40 head-in parking spaces along N. Bay Blvd. No historic buildings, but he would agree to some type of sheltering structure. He felt the property should be primarily used as open space with park benches and shade.

Mr. Coleman suggested an ad hoc committee is formed. The Committee should start with the big picture to determine what they do and do not want.



Commissioner Woodland said he did not see any relationship between public activities and the public/private partnership. He felt whether or not the public/private partnership was successful or not that there needs to be events in the City that would generate money for the City's General Fund.



Chair Webb suggested the Mayor appoint a committee to look into the use and bring back their recommendations to the Commission for a final determination. He suggested appointing individuals that have Landscape design experience, for example, and individuals having other qualified experience.

Commissioner Aubry agreed with forming a committee but felt the members should have specific experience. He cautioned about getting FDOT involved. Commissioner Aubry noted the City could pay for the property by installing a cell tower on the lot.

Commissioner Woodland was opposed to forming a committee feeling it would drag out the process.

Motion: Commissioner Mattick moved that a committee be established and formed by each member of the Commission and the Mayor each recommending a committee member. Motion failed due to lack of second.

It was consensus that the Commission holds a Work Session on Thursday, November 10, 2011 – 6:00 p.m. for the purpose of Commission discussion relating to the use of the six lots.

5. **Request for Proposals Discussion Regarding Waste/Recycling Services**



Mayor Selby updated the Commission relating to recent meetings with Waste Management. Also, Public Works Director McKay, Finance Director Diane Percycocoe, and Mayor Selby all met with the County who suggested a consultant be hired.

Mayor Selby suggested staff continue to negotiate with Waste Management. The 150-days notice = November 29, 2011 to give notice to Waste Management. He stated an update could be brought back to the Commission at their November 17 meeting. Also, as suggested by many citizens, costs can be determined for hiring a consultant for preparing the RFP.

Commissioner Mattick questioned what the criterion was that would be utilized for making a determination. She said she was opposed to hiring a consultant.

Mayor Selby responded noting the options being discussed include: 1) The option where homesteaded properties would pay one fee and non-homesteaded would pay a different fee for side yard delivery, and 2) The entire City having side-yard service. He informed there are constant complaints about trash cans remaining set out. Mayor Selby noted that the Consultant has lowered the rates for the County and felt that should be considered. He informed that the rate with Waste Management is to be held confidential.



Commissioner Woodland discussed recent negotiations between Bradenton Beach, Holmes Beach, and Waste Management and questioned if their information was being utilized. He was opposed to the costs involved by hiring a consultant.

Public Works Director McKay noted Holmes Beach is the only other city that utilizes the same trash bins that Anna Maria uses.

Mayor Selby confirmed that the franchise agreement allows for a 5-year extension option with Waste Management.

Public Comment – None.

Chair Webb stated he was not opposed to continuing to negotiate with Waste Management, nor was he opposed to going out for a RFP, bring info back to Commission on November 17, and make a determination relating to a consultant. He said within reason he was leaning toward use of a consultant.

Public Works Director McKay informed that the negotiations with Waste Management had progressed a long ways. The City will be presenting less cost, no Wednesday pickups, not having to pay for services not accomplished, providing an annual curbside pickup, staying with wheeled cans, that the payments be placed and collected on the tax roll, and that vacation rentals should have side-yard pickup. If Waste Management comes back negatively, then staff will recommended going out for a RFP.

Discussion followed relating to the tracking of vacation rentals. It was suggested that properties being rented for six months or less must register with the City.

It was the consensus that Mayor Selby continues negotiations with Waste Management and brings back any recommendations at the November 17 meeting as far as going out for RFP and use of a consultant. Chair Webb suggested a County representative be in attendance to provide information relating to the County's experience when hiring the Consultant.

6. Mayor's Report



Employee and Volunteer's Holiday Appreciation Gathering

Commissioner Woodland spoke relating to the annual employee/volunteer recognition Holiday gathering. Each Commissioner was asked to contribute \$100 each. The date will be determined by the City staff. Commissioner Woodland volunteered to organize this year's event.

7. City Commission Reports



City Pier Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Scheduled for Monday, Nov 7, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. celebration at City Pier.

8. CONSENT AGENDA: The following items are considered routine in nature and should be considered in a single motion. Items, which warrant individual discussion, should be removed from this list prior to the motion to adopt. Such items will be discussed separately.

- a. **Approve Minutes - CC Mtg 9/8/11; CC Tentative Budget 9/13/11; CC Final Budget 9/21/11; CC Mtg 9/22/11**
- b. **Mayor's Appointment of William Iseman - Code Board Member (Term 10/14)**
- c. **Approve Sheriff Service Agreement 11/12**
- d. **Resolution R11-680 – Budget Amendment FY 10/11**
- e. **Special Event: Ginny & JaneE's Flea Market 11/6/11 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**
- f. **Special Event: Privateers Christmas Procession (request to waive fee)**

- December 10, 2011 - 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**
- g. Special Event: Roser Church Bethlehem Walk (request to waive fee)**
- December 10, 2011 - 6:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m.**
- h. Resolution R11-683 – Budget Amendment for Six Lot Purchase**



Motion: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Action: Approved. Moved by Commissioner Quam, Seconded by Commissioner Woodland. All Aye.

11. Reports and Updates:

- a. Sheriff's Report (Written)**
- b. Building Department Report (Written)**
- c. Public Works' Department Report (Written)**
- d. Code Enforcement Report (Written)**
- e. City Pier Report (Written)**
- f. Ordinance Update (Written)**
- g. Financial Report/Line of Credit Report (Written)**

Public and Press Comment – None.

Adjournment



Motion: 7:16 p.m., Action: Adjourn.

Moved by Commissioner Woodland, Seconded by Chair Webb.

Motion passed unanimously.

Alice Baird, CMC, City Clerk

Minutes Approved: _____