

MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
May 11, 2015

The City Commission met this date regular session in the Commission Chambers. The Invocation was given by Mayor Arnold after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM with the following in attendance.

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| Mayor | : | John B. Arnold, Jr. |
| Commissioners | : | Kay Hamilton |
| | : | Joe Morgan |
| City Clerk | : | Tammy Johnson |
| City Administrator | : | Carl Scott |
| Police Chief | : | Joe Hart |
| Fire Chief | : | Mark Norris |
| City Attorney | : | Hayward Dykes |
| Recorder | : | Beth Millsaps |

Others in attendance: (Not Inclusive) Amber Elledge (camera), Marcia Sanders (Bay Beacon), Rob Holloway, Paul LaRoux, Joe Cobb, Patrick Pertuit, Richard Woelf, Wayne Justice, Brandon Wilson, Marsha Case, Rece Nolin, Bob Black, John Durham

Mayor Arnold welcomed everyone this evening and stated that the Commission was interested in hearing their thoughts and welcomed comments. He asked that anyone wanting to make any comments should raise his/her right hand to be recognized and use the microphone at the podium to address the Commission. Mayor Arnold said that Commissioners Strong and Brown will not be in attendance this evening as they are out of town. Mr. Petrey is unavailable.

Minutes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COMM. HAMILTON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM APRIL 14, 2015 AS SUBMITTED. COMM. MORGAN SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE COMMISSION 3 TO 0.

Citizens' Concerns Resident

1. CITIZENS' CONCERNS (non-agenda items) – Resident

There were no resident comments.

2. CITIZENS' CONCERNS (non-agenda items) – Non Resident

There were no non resident comments.

Citizens' Concerns Non Resident Added Agenda Items

1. ACTION ITEMS – Added Agenda Items

Nothing new to add to the agenda.

2. ACTION ITEMS – Visioning Committee Members

Mayor Arnold said we had exhausted our list of potential Visioning members, he asked that the Commissioners bring in a few recommendations for the June meeting.

Visioning Comm. Members

3. ACTION ITEMS – Resolution No. 05-05-11-15 Planning Commission Marion Cassel

Mrs. Johnson said that the application from Ms. Cassel has not been received, we need to pull the resolution until we have received paperwork from Ms. Cassel.

Planning Comm. New Member

4. ACTION ITEMS – Ordinance No. 659 Land Use Change R-1A to C-1 308 Edge Avenue

Mayor Arnold read Ordinance No. 659, an ordinance of the city of Valparaiso amending its adopted comprehensive plan; providing for purpose; providing for land use change to .18 acres of land mol; providing for future land use map amendment, an providing for an effective date. Mayor Arnold said Ordinance 659 through Ordinance 664 we needed to basically change the zoning and land use map for three parcels of land, two on Edge Avenue and one on John Sims Parkway, the Post Office the lot to the left and behind. Mayor Arnold said all of the ordinances would have a first reading tonight and if the Commission so desires the second and final reading would be in July. Mayor Arnold said each ordinance must be read and voted on for legality reasons. He said the Planning Commission previously held a public hearing on all of the ordinances and recommend the rezoning of these parcels to the Commission. Mayor Arnold asked if anyone had any questions or comments, there were none.

Ordinance No. 659 Land Use Change

5. ACTION ITEMS – Ordinance No. 660 Rezoning Change R-1A to C-1 308 Edger

Mayor Arnold read ordinance no. 660, an ordinance amending its zoning map; providing for a purpose; providing for a zoning change to .18 acres MOL of land from R-1a, single family residential to C-1, commercial district limited; providing for zoning map amendment, and providing for an effective date.

Ordinance No. 660 Rezoning

6. ACTION ITEMS – Ordinance No. 661 Land Use Change R-1A to C-1 33 John Sims Parkway

Mayor Arnold read Ordinance No. 661, amending its adopted comprehensive plan; providing for purpose; providing for land use change to .56 acres of land MOL; providing for future land use map amendment, and providing for an effective date.

Ordinance No. 661 Land Use Change

7. ACTION ITEMS – Ordinance No. 662 Rezoning Change R-1A to C-1 33 John Sims Parkway

Ordinance No. 662 Rezoning

Mayor Arnold read Ordinance No. 662, an ordinance amending its zoning map; providing for a purpose; providing for a zoning change to .56 acres MOL or land from R-1A, single family residential to C-1, commercial district limited; providing for zoning map amendment, and providing for an effective date.

Ordinance
No. 663
Land Use
Change

8. ACTION ITEMS – Ordinance No. 663 Land Use Change R-1A to C-1 306 Edge Avenue

Mayor Arnold read Ordinance No. 663, an ordinance amending its adopted comprehensive plan; providing for purpose; providing for land use change to .42 acres of land MOL; providing for future land use map amendment, and providing for an effective date.

Ordinance
No. 664
Rezoning

9. ACTION ITEMS – Ordinance No. 664 Rezoning Change R-1A to C-1 306 Edge Avenue

Mayor Arnold read Ordinance No. 664, an ordinance amending its zoning map; providing for a purpose; providing for a zoning change to .42 acres MOL of land from R-1A, single family residential to C-1, commercial district limited; providing for zoning map amendment, and providing for an effective date. He said the Planning Commission previously held a public hearing on all of the ordinances and recommend the rezoning of these parcels to the Commission. Mayor Arnold asked if anyone had any questions or comments, there were none. He asked the Commission if their desire is to continue. COMM. HAMILTON MADE A MOTION TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING PROCESS. COMM. MORGAN SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF 3 TO 0. Comm. Morgan added the notification was sent to all residents and businesses within 400' of the area that would be impacted for their review. Comm. Morgan urges us to look into our Neighborhood office zoning and a mixed use category. He believes we need a more flexible zoning as we move inward toward residential.

Traffic
Signal
Maintenance

10. ACTION ITEMS – Traffic Signal Maintenance

Mayor Arnold said this agreement supplied to the Commission from Florida Department of Transportation says that they will pay \$3,648 for our traffic signal. Comm. Morgan said this contract has been worked on with FDOT for about four months, Okaloosa County had issue with previous draft agreements but they plan to sign this agreement. He said once the agreement is signed, he will sign an interlocal agreement with Okaloosa County he has no problem signing, he has no problem signing this agreement. COMM. MORGAN MADE A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE HIS SIGNING OF THE SIGNAL TRAFFIC MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH FDOT AS VALPARAISO'S REPRESENTATIVE. COMM. HAMILTON SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE 3 TO 0.

Removal of
City Assets

1. OLD BUSINESS – Removal of City Assets from Inventory

Comm. Morgan said he didn't have anything new to report, hopefully to have something in June.

TPO/DOT

1. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS – TPO/DOT

Comm. Morgan said there would be a workshop on May 14th at 5:30 PM in the Commission Chambers. He said the TPO/DOT would be discussing upcoming projects from 2016 to 2020 looking to issue priorities in Okaloosa and Walton counties. Comm. Morgan said a lot of projects would be discussed such as the State Road 123, Tom's Bayou Bridge, Mid Bay Bridge, he encourages everyone to attend and feels it will be very informational.

Storm-
water

2. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS – Stormwater

Mr. Scott said he received an email from Mr. Petrey regarding the Indian Shores situation and said that he is working with the Air Force on that project. Comm. Morgan said we are working to define stormwater projects within the city, the grasses for classes is looking to get funding from the DEP and to submit with CBA for our beach property.

Legal
Activities

3. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS – Legal Activities

Mr. Dykes said on Friday May 15 there will be a hearing on the Plat II matter.

Median
Beauti-
fication
Update

4. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS – Median Beautification Update

Comm. Morgan said the schedule from Piney Grove Nursery has tree installation complete by end of April, the irrigation installation should be complete around May 22. He said boring should be complete by the 15th of May, the lower plants should be installed by June 19, following that will be mulch installation complete around the 24th of June with the project complete by June 30.

Dr. Wayne Justice, 1264 Bayshore Drive, said he is concerned with the placement of these trees, once they start to blossom out at the bottom and be full, trying to make left hand turns into the Boathouse Restaurant could be very dangerous. The trees could cause a lot of traffic issues. Comm. Morgan said extensive research was done regarding the placement, he is very cognitive of that and he will continue to monitor the situation.

Planning
Comm.

5. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS – Planning Commission Report

Mr. Scott said at the next meeting the Planning Commission will be voting on a new development rezoning. He said twelve new single family homes were looking to be built in the Cardonlet area. Mr. Scott said each will need a 2 1/2' side setback variance, if approved the

developers will be taking out the main drag, revising the parking situation and doing some sediment pond work. Comm. Morgan asked about the egress and ingress point on road might be an issue. Mr. Scott said the traffic would be out onto Avery.

6. **REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS** – **Visioning Committee Update**

Visioning
Comm.

Mr. Joe Cobb, 4 Quail Trail, member of the Visioning Committee, said they are actively trying to recruit new members. Mrs. Johnson said there should be a couple of new members at the meeting on Thursday. Mr. Cobb said in discussions the committee really thinks the city could use a marina and feels the best location would be Lincoln Park.

7. **REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS** – **BP Restore Act Projects Update**

BP Restore
Act
Projects

Mayor Arnold said the application has been submitted for the restore project so now it is a matter of wait and see.

8. **REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS** – **Community Liaison Report**

Commu-
nity
Liaison
Report

Comm. Hamilton said she didn't have anything specific to discuss. She said the Chamber of Commerce is doing wonderful things and encourages everyone to take part where they can.

9. **REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS** – **Cable Update**

Cable
Update

Mr. James Butler, General Manager of Communications, said the device to upgrade the internet has not yet arrived but should be here by Monday the 18th, once the equipment arrives and the switch over begins it should be about 2 to 3 weeks. Mayor Arnold asked if that would correct the problem of slow internet speeds. Comm. Hamilton said she has heard a lot of complaints, more so recently. Mr. Butler said this should fix it in about 2 to 3 weeks.

10. **REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS** – **Budget Workshop**

Budget
Workshop
June 15
At 6 PM

Mayor Arnold said the first budget workshop would be June 15, 2015 at 6 PM, with requests for non O/M activities to be submitted by the department heads and why they need such items.

11. **REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS** – **Disbursements**

Disburse-
ments

Mayor Arnold said the Commission received a copy of the disbursements tonight if they have any questions to contact Mrs. Johnson.

12. **REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS** – **Etc.**

Etc.
FAA
Exercise
Complete

Chief Norris said the FAA exercise in Lincoln Park is complete, it included eight fire departments, and the exercise had a simulated crash of a Boeing 717 with sixty people on board. He said along with fire departments, there was EMS, our police department it lasted two hours. Chief Norris said it was a lesson learning event.

ADJOURN

With no further business tonight before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Adjourn

John B. Arnold, Jr.
Mayor

Heyward H. Strong, Jr.
Chair, VCA

ATTEST:

Tammy Johnson, CMC
City Clerk

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The DVD labeled May 11, 2015 contains the audio and video of this meeting ad will be kept as a permanent part of these minutes.