City Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes

July 24, 2024 at 3:30 PM

City Hall Commission Chambers
401 S. Park Avenue

Present
Mayor Sheila DeCiccio, Commissioners Marty Sullivan, Craig Russell, Kris Cruzada and Todd Weaver (arrived at 3:33 p.m.); City Manager Randy Knight; Assistant City Manager Michelle del Valle; City Attorney Kurt Ardaman and City Clerk Rene Cranis.

1. Meeting Called to Order

Mayor DeCiccio called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

2. Invocation

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Cruzada. The motion carried unanimously by a 4-0 vote. Commissioner Weaver was not present for vote.

5. Mayor's Report

a. Proclamation: Winter Park High School Girl's Crew Team

Mayor DeCiccio recognized the crew team for their accomplishments and presented a proclamation declaring July 24th as Winter Park Crew Day.

b. Recognition: Summer Youth Enrichment Program participants

Mayor DeCiccio recognized participants in the Summer Youth Enrichment Program. Assistant Director of Economic Development and CRA Kyle Dudgeon thanked the Parks and Recreation Department and recognized Allen Graham who led the program.

6. Citizen Budget Comments

7. City Manager's Report

Mr. Knight introduced Bobby DeVoe who, through a local charity fundraiser, was City Manager for the Day. Mr. DeVoe spoke about his experience, introduced the new Director of Electric Utility Jamie England and reported on resurfacing on Glenridge Way which starts August 1st and ends August 9th with intermittent road closures/detours.

a. Parks and Recreation Department – Update

Director of Parks and Recreation Jason Seeley gave an update on events held in July as part of Parks and Recreation Month and summer programs.

8. City Attorney's Report

Mr. Ardaman explained the regulations regarding golf carts on public streets. The city can regulate them only by allowing them on certain streets, but urged caution due to the potential liability.

9. Non-Action Items

10. Public Comments | heard after Item 15a

11. Consent Agenda

a. Approve the minutes of the strategic planning session, June 27, 2024
b. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting, July 10, 2024
c. Approve the minutes of the work session, July 11, 2024.
d. Approve the following formal solicitations:
   1. Ovation Construction Company, Inc. - RFP16-24 - MLK Jr. Park Community Playground Project; Amount: $2,596,209.25
   2. Semco Electric Company - IFB14-24 - Electrician Services; Amount: $150,000
   3. Respalcorp Electric, LLC - IFB14-24 - Electrician Services; Amount: $150,000
   4. Fortune Painters of Florida, LLC - IFB15-24 - Painting Services; Amount: $150,000
   5. Five12 Painting & Remodeling, LLC - IFB15-24 - Painting Services; Amount: $150,000
e. Approve the following piggyback contracts:
   1. EarthBalance - Lee County Contract #9466 - Environmental Maintenance; for services on an as-needed basis during the term of the agreement through June 6, 2025; Amount: $200,000
   2. CDW Government, LLC - Sourcewell Contract #121923-CDW - Technology Products and Services; for goods and services on an as-needed basis during the term of the agreement through February 27, 2028; Amount: $400,000
   3. Dell Marketing LP - Midwestern Higher Education Compact Contract #MHEC-04152022 - Dell Technology Solutions; for goods on an as-needed basis during the term of the agreement through June 30, 2025; Amount: $200,000
f. Approve the following contracts:
   1. IFB22-22 - LaFleur Nurseries and Garden Center, LLC - Landscape and Tree Installation Services - Amendment 2; for services on an as-needed basis during the term of the agreement through August 29, 2025; Amount: $400,000
   2. IFB20-22 - Tom's Sod Services, Inc. - Purchase, Delivery & Installation of Sod - Amendment 2; for goods and services on an as-needed basis during the term of the agreement through July 13, 2025; Amount: $350,000

Motion made by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Cruzada. The motion carried unanimously by a 5-0 vote.

12. Action Items Requiring Discussion

a. Budget Discussion & Set Tentative Millage Rate

Mr. Knight explained the requirements for setting the tentative millage rate and presented staff's recommendation to retain the current millage rate of 4.0923 and debt service rate of .2207 for the Library and Events Center bonds.

At the suggestion of Commissioner Sullivan and after discussion, consensus was to schedule a discussion about establishing a policy/process for organizational funding.

Motion made by Commissioner Sullivan the adopt a tentative millage rate and debt service rate as recommended, seconded by Commissioner Cruzada. The motion carried unanimously by a 5-0 vote. There were no public comments.

13. Public Hearings: Quasi-Judicial Matters

a. Request of William Keegan for subdivision approval to split the properties at 1760 and 1780 Bryan Avenue into three single-family lots, zoned R-1A. Each proposed lot would have 66.8 feet of lot width and 8,466 square feet of lot area in lieu of the 75 feet of lot width and 8,500 square feet of lot area required by R-1A zoning.

Planner Nick Lewis presented this request. Approval is recommended with three conditions: that the final front elevations of the homes be of varied architectural styles to each other to provide diversity to the neighborhood; that invasive landscape species be removed from the properties; and that the existing, dilapidated wood fence along the rear property line be removed and replaced with a quality, 6-foot white vinyl privacy fence, installed in a manner that does not damage the neighbor's existing podocarpus landscaping.

Barry Laboda, 1765 Edwin Blvd., asked that the fence be required to be uniform.

Motion made by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the request with the conditions recommended adding the condition that the fence be uniform, seconded by Mayor DeCiccio. The motion carried unanimously by a 5-0 vote.

14. Public Hearings: Non Quasi-Judicial Matters

a. Request of the City of Winter Park for an Ordinance amending Chapter 10 "Alcoholic Beverages" Section 10-33 "hours during which sales, consumption and service are prohibited" so as to establish uniform hours of sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages. (1st reading)

Attorney Ardaman read the ordinance by title. Director of Planning and Zoning Allison McGillis reviewed changes to the code to provide consistency in the hours of sale of alcoholic beverages on Sunday beginning at 7:00 a.m. and responded to questions.

Commissioner Russell said while he appreciates owners' desire to sell alcohol earlier on Sunday, he opposed the change, based on his principles and because he doesn't feel it "moves the needle" enough.

Bob Schwitter, 1030 N. Orlando Avenue, urged the commission to approve this change, giving the customers the option to purchase on Sunday mornings.

Motion made by Commissioner Cruzada to approve the ordinance, seconded by Mayor DeCiccio. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Sullivan, Cruzada and Weaver and Mayor DeCiccio voted yes. Commissioner Russell voted no. The motion carried by a 4-1 vote.

b. Ordinances amending pension plans (1st reading)

- Amending Firefighters' Pension Plan
- Amending Police Officers' Pension Plan

Attorney Ardaman read the ordinances by title. There were no public comments.

Motion made by Mayor DeCiccio to approve ordinance amending the firefighters' pension plan, seconded by Russell. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Sullivan, Russell, Cruzada and Weaver and Mayor DeCiccio voted yes. The motion carried unanimously by a 5-0 vote.

Motion made by Mayor DeCiccio to approve ordinance amending the police officers' pension plan, seconded by Russell. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Sullivan, Russell, Cruzada and Weaver and Mayor DeCiccio voted yes. The notion carried unanimously by a 5-0 vote.

c. RESOLUTION 2289-24 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER PARK, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A VISION ZERO ACTION PLAN; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, NON-LIMITATION OF AUTHORITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Ardaman read the resolution by title. Transportation Engineer Hong Lim stated the purpose of this plan is to reduce traffic fatalities and severe injuries. Once approved, the city will qualify for transportation safety grants.

Dan Shaw, consultant, gave a presentation on the plan and reviewed high injury roads, measures to improve safety and policy recommendations. He and Director of Public Works and Transportation Charles Ramdatt responded to questions regarding grant applications and potential partnerships.

There were no public comments. **Motion made by Commissioner Russell to prove the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Sullivan, Russell, Cruzada and Weaver and Mayor DeCiccio voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.**

15. Department Budget Presentations

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Budget presentations were given by Director of Water and Wastewater Utilities David Zusi, Assistant City Manager Michelle del Valle (Electric Utility), Director of Natural Resources and Sustainability Gloria Eby and Director of IT Parsram Rajaram, which included levels of service, FY 24 accomplishments, summary of spending, key performance indicators, FY 25 goals and major projects.

9. Public Comments

David Davich, 1610 S. Pennsylvania, spoke about Howell Creek restoration and expressed his disappointment with dredging it back to a canal, damage to cypress trees due to large equipment and overall destruction of the environment.

16. City Commission Reports

Commissioner Russell –

- Congratulated local schools on receiving an A rating.
- Commended city staff on the after-school program at the community center.

Commissioner Weaver –

- Spoke about solar and proposed incentivizing developers to install solar. panels instead of using agricultural land.

17. Summary of Meeting Actions

- Presented a proclamation for Winter Park Women's Crew team.
- Recognized Summer Youth Enrichment Program and participants.
- Received presentation on Parks and Recreation events.
- Approved Consent Agenda.
- Approved tentative millage rate and debt service rate
- Approve lot split at 1760 and 1780 Bryan Avenue.
- Approved ordinance to allow earlier sales of alcohol beverages on Sunday.
- Approved ordinances amending the firefighters' and police officers' pension plans.
- Adopted resolution for the Vision Zero Action Plan.
- Received department budget presentations.

18. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

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ATTEST:

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