

REGULAR MEETING  
and  
PUBLIC HEARING  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2008

A Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the Arcadia City Council was held on September 16, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Margaret Way Building at 23 North Polk Avenue. Council members attending were: Goodman, Heine and Dixon. Absent: Fazzone due to recent surgery; Johnson due to the death of his father. Also in attendance: Administrator Strube; Attorney Galvano, Special Projects Coordinator Hewett, Grants Coordinator Weeks, City Marshall Lee, Ms. Way, and Recorder Baumann.

Mayor Goodman called the meeting to order.

The Invocation was given by City Marshall Lee.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilman Dixon requested a change to the Minutes of September 2, 2008 to add "*in the presence of Administrator Strube and Special Projects Hewett*" regarding an incident that occurred after the meeting of August 5, 2008. After discussion Heine moved to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting and Joint Public Hearing of September 2, 2008 as Amended; seconded by Dixon and carried.

**Mayor Goodman called the Public Hearing to order** and stated the purposed of this Public Hearing as advertised is to hold the second Public Hearing to consider applying to the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for Small Cities Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) of up to \$7000, 000.00 for Housing and \$800,000.00 for Commercial Revitalization. Mr. Steve Weeks, Grants Coordinator for the City of Arcadia addressed the Council and presented a final draft of the Application along with a grant Profile and General Scoring information. Mr. Weeks reviewed the guidelines and project cost for the Housing Rehab/Demolition /Replacement Grant, explaining the allotted amounts to be used in each of the areas. Councilman Dixon asked about the \$105,000 shown under Administration and if this was Mr. Weeks fee. Mr. Weeks stated that it was and noted that this is the maximum amount as allowed by the grant. This equals 15%; however the Council could choose to allocate less. Mr. Weeks also added the City is a participant in the National Flood Program and no part of the project will be in a flood plain. Mr. Weeks then reviewed the Commercial Project application which includes parking facilities, sidewalks and pedestrian malls. He noted that the Administration fee is 8% or \$64,000.00 as the grant requires less of a workload than housing does. This grant would be for \$800,000.00, which is made up of \$700,000.00 grant funds and \$100,000.00 in matching money. Mr. Weeks stated in order for this application to be considered the City must meet a threshold of 400 points. The \$100,000.00 matching funds are required in order to meet that threshold. The application as proposed shows the Main Street Association contributing \$100,000.00.

Ms. Kirby Hollingsworth, Projects Manager for Main Street addressed the Council and stated that Main Street does not have the \$100,000.00 to donate. She also stated that there appears to have been a communication issue with Mr. Weeks concerning this donation. Mr. Weeks apologized for any miscommunication that might have occurred on his part. He then stated that the \$100,000.00 needs to come from the City budget or some other source otherwise the application will be rejected. Mayor Goodman stated she does not want anything to stand in the way of applying for the grant and asked the

audience if anyone could help noting that the City does not have the funds to commit to the project.

Attorney Galvano stated that Council requested that two (2) grant applications be submitted. He asked Mr. Weeks if the \$100,000.00 was a pre-application commitment to which Mr. Weeks stated that it is. The grant application requires a letter stating that the City or other agency will give the State \$100,000.00 if this grant is approved. Attorney Galvano stated that he could not recommend that the Council authorize the Mayor to sign a "good faith commitment" knowing that they do not have the funds to back it up.

Several members of the public addressed the Council and questioned how other cities received grants for sidewalk repairs. Mr. Weeks reported that some grants were from DOT and they are not available to the City due to specific regulations that the City does not meet. Mr. Weeks did note that the City has received over Eight Million dollars in grants since 2005. Mr. Paul Hoover, a member of the Public, addressed the Council and asked if the \$100,000.00 is not due until the grant is approved if there might be a way to raise the money at a later date. There were several suggestions as to how the funds might be raised. Attorney Galvano then stated that the promise of \$100,000.00 is consider a "good faith" measure and an application stating this should not be done without an assurance that the money would be forthcoming. Someone else questioned if the plan done after Hurricane Charley could be submitted now or at a later time as part of the application for sidewalks to which Mr. Weeks stated that those plans were just an idea and do not meet the current grant criteria.

Mr. Fink a member of the public suggested that the City deal with the issue of funding after the grant is approved. He noted that Council had authorizes staff to work on a commercial grant and it is not Main Streets responsibility to make improvements to public property.

Mayor Goodman replied that she is not asking Main Street or anyone to give the \$100,000.00 noting that Main Street can't and neither can the City. She then stated that if she had to choose between housing and sidewalks, she would choose housing noting that housing is needed to give children a safe place to live.

Mr. R.L. Griffin, a member of the public suggested the City impose a Business Tax on local Businesses to which City Recorder Baumann stated that such a tax is already in place. She noted that this is mandated by Florida Statues and that the City cannot increase their rates unless the state authorizes it, noting that it has been at least fifteen (15) or twenty (20) years since the last state approved increase.

Mayor Goodman advised Mr. Weeks to move forward with both applications for the CDGB funding one for Housing and one for Commercial Revitalization. She stated that by submitting both applications it would send the state a message that Arcadia is interested in pursuing grants in these areas and they might provide technical assistance to the City. Heine then moved to authorize the Mayor to sign a grant application for Housing and for Commercial Revitalization to be sent without a City letter of commitment; seconded by Dixon and carried.

***The Public Hearing was adjourned.***

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**Mayor Goodman called to order the Public Hearing** and stated that the purpose of this Public Hearing as advertised is to consider the Proposed Millage Rate and the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. Each Council member was previously given a copy for study, of a handout containing information regarding the tentative millage rate and budget.

Administrator Strube addressed the Council and stated that the budget had been advertised by the Truth in Millage (TRIM) notice sent out by the Property Appraiser. He stated last year's millage rate was 7.5587 and proposed the millage rate for 08-09 would remain the same. He stated that due to Amendment One the roll back rate is actually a roll forward rate of 8.0606. He noted that by keeping the millage rate the same as last year the Council would be reducing taxes. He then stated that the percentage increase in millage over the roll back rate necessary to fund the FY 2008-2009 budget is 0%.

Administrator Strube stated that the budget as presented includes several rate increases. He has proposed a 10% increase to water and sewer rates noting that they have not been raised since 2003 and the increase is necessary in order to meet Bond Covenants. Councilman Dixon asked if any consideration had been made for a possible forthcoming credit of \$10,000.00 to \$15,000.00 to the City as offset of tipping fees at the landfill. Administrator Strube stated that any reduction or credit in the tipping fees would be a reduction to be applied to garbage fees and not water and sewer rates. Councilman Dixon stated he was not in favor on any increase in water and sewer fees and would not second any motion to do so. Administrator Strube noted that the Council will have a 2<sup>nd</sup> opportunity to approve the budget at their meeting of September 30, 2008.

Administrator Strube then proposed 10% increase in membership fee for the Golf Course. Mayor Goodman asked if the increase could be larger to which Administrator Strube stated that a 10% increase is reasonable. Councilman Heine asked if this would help to cover the cost of fertilizer and chemicals for the greens, Administrator Strube stated that he believes it will. Councilman Dixon asked if a 15% increase could be proposed to keep from increasing water and sewer fees. Administrator Strube stated that might be possible to go to 15%. Recorder Baumann explained that fees from the golf course go into the General Fund and that water and sewer rates are revenue in the Enterprise Fund; therefore an increase in golf fees would not offset water and sewer rates. She also noted that garbage rates are a part of the General Fund.

A proposed \$5.00 increase at the mobile home park was presented. Administrator Strube stated that the City Trailer Park is a General Fund item and pays for itself. The budget also includes a 2% merit increase for employees.

Mayor Goodman called for Public comments. Ms. Valerie Gilchrist addressed the Council and presented a letter from the DeSoto County Community Development Corporation (CDC) explaining that their request of \$10,000.00 would be used to construction of an office for the Corporation. She noted that the FEMA plan did suggest that a Community Development Corporation was needed for the Community. Councilman Heine feels that all Council members should be present before approving this request. Councilman Dixon stated that he understands the financial status of the City and noted that it appears that the City gives about \$25,000.00 to various local organizations and he questioned the amounts as presented. Administrator Strube stated

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that most of the amounts have been the same for several years. Councilman Dixon feels that times have changed and so should the amounts. He then proposed re-allocating funds in order to provide funding to the CDC and the Health Department. The re-allocation amounted to \$6,000.00 which would be split between the two agencies. The re-allocation is as follows: Chamber from \$7,500 to \$5,000; Homeless Coalition no change \$2,000; 211 from \$6,000 to \$3,000; Selby House no change \$2,000; Historical Society from \$2,500 to 2,000; Main Street no change \$5,000; Health Department \$3,000; and Community Development from a request of \$10,000 to \$3,000. Melissa Sanders, from 211 did not have a problem with a reduction in funding in order to assist other agencies. Penny Curts from the Health Department thanked the Council for their support.

Dixon moved to adopt a Tentative Millage Rate of 7.5587 by Resolution 2008-11; seconded by Heine and carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-11

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE  
MILLAGE RATE TO BE LEVIED BY THE CITY OF  
ARCADIA, FLORIDA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009.

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes 200.065(2)(d) requires that the City of Arcadia, Florida adopt a Resolution stating the tentative millage rate to be levied for Fiscal Year 2008-2009, and

WHEREAS, the Resolution shall state the percent, if any, by which the millage rate to be levied exceeds the rolled-back rate.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Arcadia that:

1). The City of Arcadia does hereby adopt its Tentative Millage Rate of 7.5587 mills to be levied for the General Fund upon all real and tangible personal property located within the boundaries of the City of Arcadia to fund the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Budget, and

2). The percentage by which this millage rate to be levied exceeds the rolled back rate of 8.0606 mills (computed pursuant to Florida Law) is zero (0) percent.

DULY PASSED AND RESOLVED by the City Council present and voting this 16<sup>TH</sup> day of September, 2008.

ATTEST:

CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA

s/s RACHELLE M. BAUMANN, CMC  
RACHELLE M. BAUMANN, CMC  
CITY RECORDER

s/s DR. SHARON T. GOODMAN  
DR. SHARON T. GOODMAN  
MAYOR

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Administrator Strube stated the budget for FY 2008-2009 is balanced. He recommends the Tentative Budget be adopted. Heine moved to adopt the Tentative Budget for 2008-2009 by Resolution 2008-12; seconded by Dixon and carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-12

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE  
BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Arcadia, Florida has followed the procedures for budget preparation, public notices, and public hearings as prescribed by Florida Statutes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Arcadia that the following funds be adopted as the City of Arcadia's Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

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| GENERAL FUND                               | \$6,099,922 |
| WATER AND SEWER FUND                       | 2,950,129   |
| WATER AND SEWER BOND SINKING FUND          | 1,098,144   |
| WATER AND SEWER BOND RESERVE FUND          | 617,045     |
| WATER AND SEWER RENEWAL & REPLACEMENT FUND | 160,981     |
| LOCAL OPTION GAS TAX FUND                  | 815,000     |
| LOCAL OPTION INFRASTRUCTURE SALES TAX FUND | 852,869     |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND                   | 1,241,818   |
| FIRE SERVICES PROTECTION FUND              | 193,640     |

DULY PASSED AND RESOLVED by the City Council present and voting this  
16<sup>TH</sup> day of September, 2008.

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Heine then moved to authorize the advertisement for the Public Hearing on September 30, 2008, and to adopt a Final Millage Rate and the 2008-2009 Final Budget; seconded by Dixon and carried.

*Mayor Goodman then closed the Public Hearing.*

*Mayor Goodman convened the Regular Meeting.*

Proposed Ordinance No. 941 was presented for a second reading. Heine moved to waive the rules and read by title only; seconded by Dixon and carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 941

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA, TO REZONE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY; LOTS 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13,&14, BLOCK 6, TIER 8, GILCHRIST EAST END ADDITION TO ARCADIA AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY FROM TWO-FAMILY DWELLING R2-A DISTRICT TO RESIDENTIAL PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS RPB DISTRICT. PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Dixon moved to adopt Ordinance No.941 on second reading; seconded by Heine. Mayor Goodman called for comments from the Public. There were none. The motion carried on a roll call vote. Ayes: Heine, Dixon and Goodman. Nays: None.

Proposed Ordinance No. 942 was presented on second reading. Dixon moved to read the ordinance by title only; seconded by Heine and carried.

ORDINANCE NO.942

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA, TO REZONE THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY; LOTS 1 TO 24, BOTH INCLUSIVE AND 27 TO 30, BOTH INCLUSIVE., BLOCK 6, TIER 4, GILCHRIST EAST END ADDITION TO ARCADIA AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN PUBLIC RECORDS OF DESOTO COUNTY FROM ONE-FAMILY DWELLING R1-B DISTRICT TO MULTIPLE DWELLING R-3 DISTRICT, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Dixon moved to adopt Ordinance No. 942 on second reading; seconded by Heine. Mayor Goodman called for comments from the Public. There were none. The motion carried on a roll call vote. Ayes: Heine, Dixon and Goodman. Nays: None.

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Administrator Strube addressed the Council regarding Resolution No. 2008-10. He stated the Resolution contained revisions and language required by the State and replaces Resolution No. 2008-04 previously adopted by the Council on May 20, 2008. Dixon moved to adopt Resolution No. 2008-10; seconded by Heine and carried.

Note: This Resolution contains revisions and language required by the State and Replaces Resolution No. 2008-04 adopted by the Council on May 20, 2008.

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA, ACKNOWLEDGING THE COMPLETION OF THE ARCADIA ALL FLORIDA CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO FEASIBILITY STUDY FINDINGS REPORT PREFORMED BY STELLER FUND RAISING EXECUTIVES, INC., FUNDED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF TOURISM, TRADE, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

**Whereas**, the City of Arcadia received funding on behalf of the All Florida Championship Rodeo from the State of Florida Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for a feasibility study to determine financial support for a new rodeo/equestrian facility, and

**Whereas**, the feasibility study findings reported dated May 15, 2008, preformed by Stellar Fundraising Executives, Inc. was presented to the Directors of the Arcadia All Florida Championship Rodeo on May 15, 2008, and

**Whereas**, the Directors accepted the report.

**Now, therefore be it resolved**, by the Arcadia City Council that it considers the May 15, 2008 feasibility study findings report presented by Stellar Fundraising Executives, Inc. to the All-Florida Championship Rodeo Directors as fulfilling the scope of work funded by the State of Florida office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development, and

**Be it further resolved** that the following conditions of the grant have also been complied with the GRANTEE (City of Arcadia):

- A. GRANTEE provided the required oversight of the components of the feasibility study.
- B. GRANTEE verified all invoices, statements, and other related documents duly submitted to GRANTEE for approval by the GRANTEE prior to submission to OTTED.
- C. GRANTEE certifies that the proposed location of the new rodeo facility would be compliant with the local government's comprehensive plan.
- D. GRANTEE certifies that performance of the study is a benefit to the public.
- E. GRANTEE provided OTTED with

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1. Written notification of its intent to award the feasibility study project to the lowest and best bidder in accordance with applicable state and federal statutes, rules and regulation, and
2. a copy of the bid tally sheet (s) and awarded bid contract to OTTED.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA,  
on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008.

ATTEST:

CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA

s/s RACHELLE M. BAUMANN, CMC  
RACHELLE M. BAUMANN, CMC  
CITY RECORDER

s/s DR. SHARON T. GOODMAN  
DR. SHARON T. GOODMAN  
MAYOR

Mr. Paul Hoover addressed the Council to requested the closure of Oak Street between Polk and Monroe Avenues and if needed between Monroe and Orange Avenues from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on September 26, 2008 for an antique car show by Cruz Car Club. Dixon moved to approve the request; seconded by Heine and carried.

Mr. Saffer of the Hot Fudge Shoppe addressed the Council to ask if vendors could be set up at the car show. After discussion it was determined that they are not vendors, they would be exhibitors. Councilman Dixon stated that the sidewalks must be kept open for handicapped accessibility. Mr. Saffer then asked if a motorcycle club could have a monthly show, he was informed that his current request had been approved and that he would need to come back before the Council for approval of any other events.

Mr. Michael Dykes, Evangelist from the Hickory Street Church of Christ, addressed the Council to request permission to park R.V.'s on the church property for approximately three weeks in either January, February, or March of 2009. Dixon moved to approve the request to park R.V.'s on church property and that Mr. Dykes get the actual date to Administrator Strube once a date has been set; seconded by Heine and carried.

Mr. Joe Fink, a member of the public and local business owner, addressed the Council and presented list suggesting special advisory committees that might be established. Mr. Fink believes that the Citizens Advisory Task Force (CATF) should be separated from the Planning and Zoning Board. Mayor Goodman noted that in the past it has been very difficult to get citizens to serve on boards. She stated that the Planning and Zoning Board has done a dynamic job and has agreed to serve on other boards such as the CATF. They are very dedicated and it has been very effective to utilize them in this capacity. Mayor Goodman then stated that Mr. Fink has presented a good list to work with and suggested that he be a "chairman" of getting committees together. She stated that having boards is a good idea; however getting them to meet and be effective is another issue. Councilman Dixon stated that he has had experience with too many boards which then creates a monster. He also stated that the City currently has about half of the boards already on the list. Councilman Dixon then stated that he is not in favor of the Planning and Zoning

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Board continuing to serve as the CATF and he moved that those duties be relinquished from the Planning and Zoning Board until a later date; seconded by Heine and carried.

The Fines and Forfeitures Report for the month of August, 2008, was presented showing \$2, 477.59 in fines.

Marshall Lee also addressed the Council and presented information on how his department is actively implementing ways to reduce fuel usage.

The Recorders Report of Revenues and Expenditures for the month of August, 2008 was presented.

Administrator Strube addressed the Council with updates on the planned street and intersection improvements of US 17, and M.L. King Jr. Street as well as Palm Street. The DeSoto County Commissioners approved FDOT's recommendations to include the northbound turn lane improvements in the FDOT five (5) year plan. Mr. L.K. Nandam, P.E., District Traffic Operations Engineer advised during a March 6, 2008 presentation that closing Palm Street could alleviate some of the traffic problems in that area. It was noted that at this time no funding is budgeted for widening US 17 or for traffic lights in that area. Administrator Strube stated that the City does own Palm Street and that a Public Hearing would be required in order to close it. DeSoto County Fire Chief Prescott addressed the Council stating the closing of Palm Street would be detrimental to Fire and Rescue operations as Palm Street is a main road providing access to US 17 from the station and cuts down on their response. He requests that Palm Street remain open. Councilman Dixon reported that he met with Mr. L.K. Nandam and Lt. Evens and he is opposed to closing Palm Street for any length of time. Mayor Goodman ask that Administrator Strube respond in writing to Mr. Nandam that based on citizens input the Council is not in favor of closing Palm Street, we continue to advocate for a traffic light signal and to ask that DOT continue to look for funding for the realignment of US 17.

Mrs. Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, Planning Director for Central Florida Regional Planning Council (CFRPC) addressed the Council and submitted a proposed contract in the amount of \$5,000.00 to provide an update of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the Evaluation Appraisal Report (EAR) and an update to the Capital Improvement Element. Dixon the moved to approve a contract in the amount of \$5,000.00 to CFRPC to update the EAR and Capital Improvement Element of the Comprehensive Plan; seconded by Heine and carried.

Ms. Salisbury then stated that the CFRPC is in a position to assist the City regarding planning issues such as amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use. She will present a Regional Planning Contract for the City to review.

The Planning and Zoning Board at their meeting of September 9, 2008 sitting as the Citizens Advisory Task Force (CAFTA) recommend that the Council approve a Kool Playgrounds PlayLand Inclusive Playground System to be located at Lake Katherine and that the design include restroom facilities and that an application for funding assistance for this project be submitted to Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP). It was noted that an additional seven (7) points were earned on the grant application due to the Planning and Zoning Board having reviewed the application and

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making a recommendation to the Council. Heine moved to approve the request as recommended by the CATF by Resolution No. 2008-13; seconded by Dixon and carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
ARCADIA, FLORIDA, ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR THE 2008-2009 FISCAL  
YEAR AND THE NEXT FOUR YEARS THEREAFTER

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Arcadia, Florida has previously prepared the Capital Improvement Plan for the 2008-2009 fiscal year and the next four fiscal years thereafter, and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Board met on September 9, 2008 to review a proposal for a ADA Inclusive Playground and did recommend that Council approve the plan, and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2008, City Council did review the plan for an ADA Inclusive Playground and accepted the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board to seek grant funding for the playground, and

WHEREAS, the City Council agreed to locate the playground on property owned by the City at Lake Katherine, in Arcadia Florida, and

WHEREAS, in the event that this project is funded by Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) the Council has agreed to amend the Capital Improvement Plan to include this ADA Inclusive Playground in the plan,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Arcadia, Florida, that the Capital Improvement Plan for the 2008-2009 fiscal year and the next four fiscal years thereafter, is amended in accordance with the Exhibit "A" attached hereto, its hereby adopted as the Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Arcadia, Florida.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA  
in Regular Session this 16<sup>TH</sup> day of September, 2008.

ATTEST:

CITY OF ARCADIA, FLORIDA

s/s RACHELLE M. BAUMANN, CMC  
RACHELLE M. BAUMANN, CMC  
CITY RECORDER

s/s DR. SHARON T. GOODMAN  
DR. SHARON T. GOODMAN  
MAYOR

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A request for approval of a revised site plan for the Church of the Living God at 159 South Alabama Avenue, Lot 6, Block C, A.W. Gilchrist's Subdivision was presented. Three (3) proposals were presented and Administrator Strube stated that he has no objection to moving the location of the building to the South and locating parking in the rear of the property. Heine moved to approve the request of the revised site plan re-locating the Church of the Living God at 159 South Alabama Avenue; seconded by Dixon and carried.

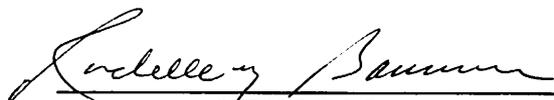
The Golf Course Report for the month of August, 2008 was presented. Councilman Dixon asked about an increase in revenues from the previous year and if it had anything to do with the change in operations at the course to which Administrator Strube stated the increase was the result of an increase in rates and membership fees. Councilman Dixon expressed concern that the Golf Course was not paying for its self to which Administrator Strube replied that we are still recovering from the losses incurred from Hurricane Charley in 2004. He stated that the course could maintain a 15% increase without a reduction in membership.

The Public Works Report for the month of August, 2008 was presented.

Ms. Kim Spencer, a member of the public addressed the Council and wanted to make it clear for the record that when she expressed concerns regarding Administrator Strube at a previous meeting she was representing herself and not Main Street or any of organization as had been implied by a councilmember.

Attorney Galvano gave an update to the Council on his recent re-election to the Florida House of Representatives and his appointment as Chairman of the Rules and Calendar Committee. The Council congratulated Mr. Galvano on his re-election and appointment.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

  
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CITY RECORDER

  
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PRESIDENT