

**WORKSHOP MEETING
APRIL 10, 2007**

A Workshop Meeting of the City Commission of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, was called to order by Mayor Rita Ellis in the First Floor Conference Room at City Hall at 6:00 p.m., on Tuesday, April 10, 2007.

Roll call showed:

Present - Commissioner Gary P. Eliopoulos
 Commissioner Fred B. Fetzer
 Commissioner Woodie McDuffie
 Commissioner Brenda B. Montague
 Mayor Rita Ellis

Also present were - David T. Harden, City Manager
 Robert A. Barcinski, Assistant City Manager
 Douglas Smith, Assistant City Manager
 Susan A. Ruby, City Attorney
 Chevelle D. Nubin, City Clerk

Mayor Ellis called the meeting to order and announced that it had been called for the purpose of considering the following items:

WORKSHOP AGENDA

1. Update on Delray Beach Historical Society Archives Relocation Project.

Robert W. Ganger, President of the Delray Beach Historical Society, and Dottie Patterson, Archivist for the Delray Beach Historical Society, were present to update the City Commission on plans for relocating the Archives out of Old School Square, and to secure a go ahead approval, and indication of support, for the \$50,000 grant request to relocate and restore the Hunt House Learning Center, which will be the new home for the City of Delray Beach's Archives.

The Historical Society's fifteen (15) year lease at the Cornell Museum at Old School Square will be expiring soon and a new home for the Archives will be needed. In 2006, Delray Beach developer Microliviano International, Inc. bought the 1908 Hunt House and four neighboring bungalows on NE 5th Avenue and made plans to demolish the homes to make way for condominiums. The unoccupied Hunt House was donated to the Delray Beach Historical Society by Madison At Delray, L.L.C., and will be moved to a City of Delray Beach owned piece of property located at 3 NE 1st Street, as soon as possible. The cost for

the moving and "situating" of the house will be approximately \$500,000. The City of Delray Beach has committed to match all raised funds. After the City matches the \$50,000 grant the balance will be \$400,000. Palm Beach County Commissioner Mary McCarty has committed \$200,000, through a Parks and Recreation Bond for the restoration of the windowless bunker. There is proposed Federal grant funding of \$200,000 which will be used to reimburse the City for the \$200,000 contribution used for matching Palm Beach County Commissioner Mary McCarty's commitment.

A concrete bunker will be connected by a roof in the back of the house to accommodate the Archives, and will be constructed to look like it has always belonged to the house. It will be built to withstand fire, flooding, and hurricanes. Spady Museum will have access to the bunker for storage of their archives during an eminent storm.

It was the consensus of the Commission to move forward with the project, they were looking forward to working with the Historical Society, and to exploring additional grant options. The Commission extended their full support.

2. Discussion regarding a contract for Wi-Fi Services.

Carol Roberts, former Mayor of West Palm Beach, longtime Palm Beach County Commissioner, and leading The Vision Team, LLC, introduced one of her partners, Stephen Gaskill; Vincent J. Vento, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of ATC International Inc.; Joseph A. Tortoretti, Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of e-Path Communications, Inc.; Attorney Steven Wallace of Ruden Mc Closky Law Firm; and her other partner Linda Hennessee.

Susan Ruby, City Attorney noted all aspects of the Wireless Broadband (Wi-Fi) Agreement had been worked through, and she introduced Ila Felds who had helped immensely and who specializes in communications, tele-communications and cable television. The agreement is a ten (10) year agreement with two (2) five (5) year renewal terms. Ms. Ruby felt great level of service standards had been established with this agreement.

Linda Hennessee provided background information concerning the installation and maintenance of the Delray Beach WiFi System. The WiFi is a wireless system that enables communications through a wireless network using the Network without the need for cable or wire lines connecting the peripheral equipment to the Network.

It was the consensus of the Commission that they were pleased with the system, looked forward to working with Delray Beach WiFi, Inc., and thanked them for the presentation.

3. Discussion regarding the current Capital Improvement Program.

David T. Harden, City Manager, presented the item and stated this overview presentation was only to provide information and that he was not asking for any decisions, at this time, but wanted to provide ample time for the Commission to ask questions over the next few weeks. Mr. Harden suggested that sometime in May, possibly the May Work Session, when the Commission is ready to deal with the issues, they can make some decisions at that point. Mr. Harden reviewed the additional costs in the Parks Bonds Projects, and asked Environmental Services to present the Capital Program beginning with the Parks Bonds Projects not under construction yet, and to review the Capital Projects that are in the general fund this year, in order for the Commission to explore the entire scope of the projects. At that point, the Commission will ultimately be informed and decide as to whether to proceed, delay, and/or change the scope of any of the projects. The additional cost in the Parks Bond Issue, which had been identified in the handouts to the Commission at the last Work Session on March 13, 2007, was \$22,258,175.00. Almost all of that amount could be attributed to two projects, the Family Recreation and Fitness Center, and the Old School Square Parking Garage.

Richard Hasko, Director of Environmental Services, presented information concerning the change order process history on various City projects.

It was the consensus of the Commission that staff had presented a tremendous amount of information, and that they were very thorough in their research. Each Commissioner will make arrangements to meet with the City Manager, or staff, to propose any questions they feel may need to be addressed.

Mayor Ellis adjourned the Workshop Meeting at 8:29 p.m.



City Clerk

ATTEST:



MAYOR

The undersigned is the City Clerk of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, and the information provided herein is the Minutes of the Workshop Meeting of the City Commission held on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, which Minutes were formally approved and adopted by the City Commission on April 17, 2007



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