

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NAPLES CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,  
NAPLES, FLORIDA, ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 1980, AT 9:10 A.M.

Present: R. B. Anderson  
Mayor

C. C. Holland  
Harry Rothchild  
Randolph I. Thornton  
Edward A. Twerdahl  
Kenneth A. Wood  
Councilmen

Absent: Wade H. Schroeder  
Councilman

Also present: George M. Patterson, City Manager  
David W. Rynders, City Attorney  
Roger Barry, Community Development Director  
John McCord, City Engineer  
Norris Ijams, Fire Chief  
Frank Savidge, Public Works Director  
Franklin Jones, Finance Director  
Mark Wiltsie, Purchasing Agent

Reverend Ernest Berquist  
Dr. Fred Eidsness  
Mr. & Mrs. Harrison  
Thomas Martin  
Mr. & Mrs. Shelfer  
Charles Andrews  
Michael Murphy  
Leonard Greenberg  
Ted Smallwood  
Harold Yegge  
Robert Russell  
Sam Aronoff  
Stewart MacFarlane  
Harold Minier  
Robert Nochta  
Lyle Richardson  
Walter Keller  
Jack Conroy  
Egon Hill  
Greg Tate  
Cliff Wenzel

News Media: Ed Warner, TV-9  
David Henry, Miami Herald  
Rick O'Reilly, WRGI  
Paul Stanford, TV-9  
James Moses, Naples Daily News  
Allen Bartlett, Fort Myers News Press

Other interested citizens and visitors.

186 Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.; whereupon Reverend Ernest Berquist of the Assembly of God Church delivered the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AGENDA ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Mayor Anderson called Council's attention to the minutes of the Workshop Meeting held May 20, 1980 and the Regular Meeting held May 21, 1980; whereupon Mr. Twerdahl moved approval of both sets of minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Wood and carried by consensus.

AGENDA ITEM 4. Community Development Department/Naples Planning Advisory Board:

AGENDA ITEM 4-a. PUBLIC HEARING and recommendation of the Naples Planning Advisory Board to approve Special Exception Petition No. 80-S3 - Request to construct a five foot masonry wall in portion of the required front yard area, and five foot masonry wall privacy screens in a portion of the required front yard area, located at 275 2nd Ave. North. Petitioner: Mr. & Mrs. Frederick Harrison.

Mayor Anderson opened the Public Hearing at 9:12 a.m.; whereupon Frederick Harrison, petitioner, presented himself to answer any questions that Council may have. Mr. Twerdahl noted that although the Planning Advisory Board recommended granting the petition, the staff had recommended against it. Roger Barry, Community Development Director, reviewed the staff's reason for their recommendation of denial. After further discussion by Council and there being no one else to speak for or against, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 9:26 a.m.; whereupon City Attorney Rynders read the below titled resolution by title for consideration by Council.

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO CONSTRUCT THREE (3) MASONRY WALLS, 5 FEET IN HEIGHT, IN A PORTION OF THE REQUIRED FRONT YARD AREA AT 275 SECOND AVENUE NORTH, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, SUBJECT TO THE CONDITION SET FORTH HEREIN; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

At Mr. Rothchild's request, Harold Yegge, member of the Planning Advisory Board, reviewed his reasons for supporting the petition; whereupon Mr. Rothchild moved adoption of Resolution 3542, seconded by Mr. Holland and carried on roll call vote, 6-0.

\*AGENDA ITEM 4-b. PUBLIC HEARING and recommendation of the Naples Planning Advisory Board to approve Special Exception Petition No. 80-S4 - Request to construct two outdoor tennis courts for Admiralty Point Condominium, located at 2300 Gulf Shore Blvd. North. Petitioner: Admiralty Point Condominium Association, Inc.

City Attorney Rynders read the below captioned resolution by title for Council's consideration.

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO CONSTRUCT TWO OUTDOOR TENNIS COURTS AT 2300 GULF SHORE BLVD. NORTH (ADMIRALTY POINT CONDOMINIUM), SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH HEREIN; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Anderson opened the Public Hearing at 9:36 a.m.; whereupon Leonard Greenberg, representing the petitioner, addressed Council in support of the petition. There being no one else to speak for or against, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m.; whereupon Mr. Thornton moved adoption of Resolution 3543, seconded by Mr. Twerdahl and carried on roll call vote, 6-0.

\*This portion of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Naples City Council held on June 4, 1980 were approved on July 2, 1980.

AGENDA ITEM 5. PUBLIC HEARING to consider proposed boat slip modification involving filling operations adjacent to Champney Bay, located at 3901 Gordon Drive South, owner: Walter L. Keller.

City Attorney Rynders read the below referenced resolution by title for Council's consideration.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FILLING OPERATIONS ADJACENT TO CHAMPNEY BAY FOR THE PURPOSE OF MODIFYING A BOAT SLIP ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3901 GORDON DRIVE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS LOT 10, BEACH ESTATES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Walter Keller, owner, presented himself to answer questions of Council members. Mr. Rothchild noted a recommendation included in a memo from City Engineer John McCord (Attachment #1) to City Manager Patterson dated May 20, 1980. Mr. Rothchild asked if this should not be included in the resolution as a condition of passage. Mr. Keller indicated his willingness to comply with this recommendation and Mr. McCord felt that this being a matter of public record, it would not be necessary to include it in the resolution. There being no one else to speak for or against, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 9:45 a.m.

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\*\*\* Let the record show that Mr. Holland left the Council table at 9:46 a.m. \*\*\*  
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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN EASEMENT TO FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY AND AN AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE INSTALLATION OF UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL FACILITIES AT THE COMMUNITY CIVIC CENTER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Holland moved adoption of Resolution 3548, seconded by Mr. Thornton and carried on roll call vote, 6-0.

AGENDA ITEM 10. Recommendation by Traffic Coordinating Committee regarding 7th Avenue North bike path link between 8th Street and 7th Street. Pursuant to Council workshop discussion of April 15, 1980.

City Manger Patterson reviewed the recommendation contained in the memo from City Engineer John McCord (Attachment # 6) dated May 20, 1980. Mr. Thornton moved to accept the recommendation in the memo, seconded by Mr. Twerdahl and carried on roll call vote, 6-0.

AGENDA ITEM 12. Presentation regarding amendment to 201 Facilities Plan. Requested by Consulting Engineer.

Mayor Anderson noted the presence of Ted Smallwood, Consulting Engineer, who reviewed the history of the 201 Plan to update Council on what had taken place since the initial adoption of it in November 1977. He introduced Greg Tate from his office staff who gave a brief summary of the highlights of the proposed amended 201 Plan, a copy of which is on file in the City Clerk's office. They noted there would be an in-depth presentation made before Council which would be scheduled with a Public Hearing at the Regular Meeting on June 18th.

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Mayor Anderson noted the presence of County Commissioner Cliff Wenzel in the audience and noted that the projections used in this amended 201 Plan were based on present zoning densities and he asked that the County Commissioners keep this in mind.

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AGENDA ITEM 13. A resolution regarding City Attorney's salary. Requested by Mayor Anderson

Council considered the below titled resolution.

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A SALARY INCREASE FOR THE CITY ATTORNEY: AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Anderson noted that City Attorney Rynders had only been getting a two week annual vacation and it was Mayor Anderson's suggestion that Council authorize a three week annual vacation. Mr. Thornton moved that Resolution 3549 be adopted as amended to include a three week annual vacation and a 7-1/2 % increase in salary effective June 1, 1980, seconded by Mr. Rothchild and carried on roll call vote, 6-0.

AGENDA ITEM 14. Purchasing:

AGENDA ITEM 14-a. Bid Consideration - Quick attack vehicle - Fire Department

Council noted that there was no paper work on this item and City Manager Patterson reported that it was his recommendation to reject all the bids that came in. Mr. Thornton moved to accept the City Manager's recommendation to "reject any further consideration at this time", seconded by Mr. Twerdahl and carried on roll call vote, 6-0.

AGENDA ITEM 14-b. Bid Award - Crowd control fence - Fleischmann Park

City Attorney Rynders read the below captioned resolution by title for consideration by Council.

A RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A CROWD CONTROL FENCE AT THE FLEISCHMANN PARK FOOTBALL FIELD; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT THEREFOR; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Holland moved to adopt Resolution 3550, seconded by Mr. Rothchild and carried on roll call vote, 6-0.

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Mayor Anderson noted a resolution that needed to be added to the Agenda on an emergency basis. Mr. Holland moved to add this item to the agenda on an emergency basis, seconded by Mr. Twerdahl and carried by consensus.

City Attorney Rynders read the below titled resolution by title for Council's consideration.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NAPLES AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE REPLACEMENT AND RELOCATION OF CERTAIN UTILITIES WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY LIMITS HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION.

Mayor Anderson confirmed that this was relative to the construction of I-75 and the D.O.T. was ready to go out to bid on this section and needed this agreement as soon as possible. Mr. Holland moved to adopt Resolution 3551, seconded by Mr. Twerdahl and carried on roll call vote, 6-0.

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Rothchild noted the letter to the Mayor, members of Council and the City Manager dated May 28, 1980 (Attachment #7) from Fire Chief Norris Ijams. Mr. Rothchild suggested that prior to any of this burning, the Courthouse records be checked to determine the owner of record and that there were no liens on the structure.

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Mr. Twerdahl requested a discussion, possibly at a Workshop, regarding the payment for the proposed expanded sewer treatment facilities.

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Mayor Anderson asked Commissioner Wenzel if he wished to address Council to which he responded in the negative.

There being no further business to come before this Regular Meeting of Naples City Council, Mayor Anderson adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

R. B. Anderson  
R. B. Anderson, Mayor

Janet Cason  
Janet Cason  
City Clerk

Ellen P. Marshall  
Ellen P. Marshall  
Deputy Clerk

\*Minutes for Agenda Item 4-b were approved July 2, 1980

These minutes of the Naples City Council were approved on June 18, 1980



# City of Naples

735 EIGHTH STREET, SOUTH - STATE OF FLORIDA 33940

OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Engineering Memo #80-74



TO: George Patterson

FROM: John McCord *JMcC*

DATE: May 20, 1980

REFER: Proposed Boat Slip Modification Involving  
Filling Operations Adjacent to Champney Bay

Owner/  
Applicant: Walter L. Keller

Legal  
Description: Beach Estates, Lot 10 Within  
Section 21, T50S, R25E

Location: 3901 Gordon Drive, South

SUBJ: -Request for Legal Advertisement and Public Notification  
In Accord with Ordinance 3446

-Request for City Council Agenda Item at Regular Session  
of June 4, 1980

### Background

Please find attached submittals which are self explanatory as required for Council review. Basically, the applicant seeks Council permitting of the proposed filling operations waterward of the present mean high water mark for the purpose of modifying a current boat slip in order to facilitate the installation of new vertical concrete seawalls/bulkheads. The estimated quantity of fill to be deposited is 170 cubic yards.



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Recommendation

Although the project as proposed has the effect of decreasing the sum total of the littoral zone available to this vicinity of Champney Bay, it is not, in this Department's judgement, in such an amount to be of a significant detrimental impact. Further, should Council so recommend/direct the applicant could install sufficient rip rap rubble stone at the base of either the new or existing bulkhead areas so as to replace the littoral shallows removed by the filling operations. This amount would equal approximately 600 square feet of shallows at a bottom elevation of -4 to -5 feet from mean high water. This, in the opinion of the writer, is a fair exchange which coupled with the use of turbidity screens during all phases of construction from start to finish will minimize any long term detrimental effects of the proposed work.

Additionally, Mr. Bernie Yokel of the Conservancy has relayed through the applicant no substantial objections to the permitting of the project. Mr. Yokel, however, may wish to present further comments on the project at the Council Session based on further investigations.

Finally, after an on-site review of the project as proposed this Department recommends that our Council permit the filling operations and find:

- a) That the project as proposed will not violate any statute, zoning law, ordinance or other restrictions which may be applicable thereto;
- b) That no harmful obstruction to or harmful alteration of the natural flow of the navigable water within such area will arise from the proposed construction;
- c) That no significant biological or ecological adverse impact will result therefrom;
- d) That no harmful or increased erosion, shoaling or channels or stagnant areas of water will be created thereby.
- e) And that no material injury or monetary damage to adjoining land will accrue therefrom.

JRM:sdm

Attachments

xc: Janet Cason w/Attachments (For Legal Ad/Public Notification)  
Bernie Yokel w/Attachments  
Walter L. Keller w/o Attachments



# City of Naples

735 EIGHTH STREET, SOUTH - NAPLES, FLORIDA 33940

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING

## MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

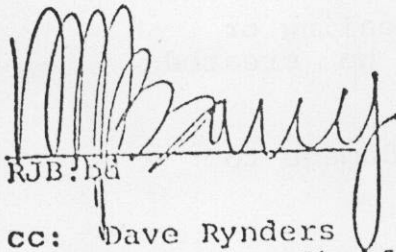
FROM: Roger J. Barry, Director of Community Development

SUBJECT: June 4, 1980 Council Agenda Item No. 8B;  
Robert E. Shelfer - "Amber Jack"; Request to  
moor occupied boat in Naples Bay.

DATE: June 2, 1980

The letter submitted by Mr. Shelfer is not a formal request for a permit; and, therefore, according to the City Attorney the item is incorrectly identified on the Council Agenda. Mr. Shelfer has informed me that he prefers not to ask for a permit, but he does want the Council to understand his position as expressed in the copy of his letter which you received in the packet.

The City Attorney has informed us that, given the position taken by Mr. Shelfer and the City's ordinance requirements, we have no choice but to enforce the ordinance through the State Attorney General's office; and, therefore, he would prefer to minimize a discussion of the matter at this time.

  
RJB:ba

cc: Dave Rynders  
Robert E. Shelfer  
Yacht "Amber Jack", City Boat Dock



23 May 1980  
Schooner Amber Jack  
880 12th Ave. South  
Naples, Fl., 33940

City Council of Naples  
City Hall  
Naples, Florida

Dear Sir:

This letter is to notify the City Council of Naples, Florida, of my decision concerning the zoning laws which deny my family and my fellow boaters the right to the use of the navigable waters of the State of Florida and these United States. I can not allow you to close the Port of Naples to those sailors, young and old, who will follow in my wake.

It is not to those who use the sea as a place to live at work and play that the blame for her pollution be given. It is rather to those who misuse the land that must bear the burden of blame. Would any man pollute that in which he lives? The polluter is the landsman that has dumped and pumped his waste into the sea. He should be denied the use of the sea rather than we who make the sea a part of ourselves.

When the door is closed on Naples Bay it will not be after I closed it softly behind me.

My family came into Naples Bay on the 18 of June 1979. We are workers in the hospital, workers in the construction industry, students, businessman, voters, commercial fisherman, liveaboards. I am Robert Edgar Shelfer, resident of the State of Florida all of my life as was my mother, Martha Francis Jackson Shelfer, a teacher. My father, Robert Andrew Shelfer, an electrician, helped build Pensacola Naval Air Station and rebuild Pearl Harbor. I served with the 173rd Airborne. We were the first combat troops sent to Viet-Nam. My wife, Carol Doss Shelfer, is a Student

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Practical Nurse and Obstetric technician. Carol cares for your sick and helps bring your new born into this world. To you who say that we ask to much and give nothing, I say, "look at the record, this is what the Shelfers have given you."

Was it toolittle, the gift given to your parents before you by the seamen who brought them to this shore that you can now turn us away? The sea does not give up her boundless gifts to the landsman. It is to the people of the sea who must drill, drag, pull and endure that the sea will release her reward. These gifts are brought to the land. Is it too much to ask that we be allowed to live upon the sea which we love much more than you?

Sincerely,

*Robert Edgar Shelfer*

Robert Edgar Shelfer

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Mr. Roger Barry  
 Director Community Dev. Dept.  
 735 8th St. S.  
 Naples, Fl. 33940



5/25/80

Mr. Barry,

I am bemused and outraged that after four days at anchor, awaiting a transient slip at Naples City Marina I have been issued a "Zoning Violation Warning".

Being a citizen of the State of Florida and a sailor I have sailed up and down both coast of this State including previous stops at Naples and do not comprehend the issuance of this "Warning".

I have stopped here in Naples because it has always been a pleasant place to drop anchor and because I had developed engine problems and was fairly sure they could be corrected here.

Upon arriving in Naples I requested a transient slip and the dockmaster advised me none were currently available. I was also told a slip could be available later in the week and to anchor out and wait, it would not be long. Today I was told possibly this weekend one would be available for a few days.

Never-the-less here I sit with a "Warning" for a "Zoning Violation". What is going on in the City of Naples, that a passing sailor is harassed in this fashion?

Note please, that only two of four boats moored or anchored received warnings and obvious questionable practice and a bridgmen<sup>t</sup> of my rights of equal treatment before the law.

Either this warning should be dropped or a permit issued. Question, does that mean you must issued every sailboat stopping overnight, a week or month a permit? What a mess!

I need some time to repair my engine. I have found a generator repair service and have started the other repairs needed. If parts are available I would be out of here in a week or two. If they can not locate the parts nearby and there is a waiting period I might be here a month.

If the warning cannot be dropped I am requesting a permit be issued for a month so I may anchor out when no transient slip is available.

Hopefully this mess can be resolved simply without further complications.

I thank you for your time.

Respectfully  
Thomas A. Martin  
a board the "Nina Dol man"  
FL 6100 BK

THIS LEASE, made this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1980, by and between the CITY OF NAPLES, herein referred to as LESSOR, and NAPLES FLOTILLA, INC., a Florida non-profit corporation, herein referred to as LESSEE.

NOW, THEREFORE, WITNESSETH: That for and in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the LESSOR hereby leases to Lessee at a rental of One Dollar (\$1.00) per year, the following described property:

A tract of submerged land in the City of Naples, Collier County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

From the Southwest corner of Block 8, Tier 9, according to a plat or plan thereof recorded in Plat Book 1 at page 8, of the Collier County, Florida, Public Records, run North on the said West line and a prolongation thereof 401.38 feet; thence East, at right angles, 683.32 feet to establish the POINT OF BEGINNING.

From the described point of beginning, continue East 60.94 feet; thence North, at right angles, 30 feet; thence West, at right angles, 75.44 feet; thence North 14.50 feet; thence West 35.33 feet; thence South 66.50 feet; thence East 35.33 feet; thence North 22.00 feet; thence East 14.50 feet to the Point of Beginning.

The described lands being in the unplatted West 1/2 of Section 10, Township 50 South, Range 25 East, in Naples, Collier County, Florida, and lying in that certain portion of submerged lands ceded (granted) (conveyed) to the City of Naples by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, State of Florida, by Dedication No. 23096, recorded in O. R. Book 113, page 594, of the Collier County Public Records.

The LESSOR and LESSEE agree as follows:

1. The premises shall be used to carry out the purposes, obligations and activities of the Naples Flotilla, Inc.
2. LESSOR hereby leases said property to Lessee,

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME for a period of ten (10) years subject to the provisions of Paragraph 6. *tax* *1.5% M.P.C.* from date hereof, / The LESSEE shall have the option to renew this Lease for an additional period of ten (10) years at the

same rental rate and under the same terms and conditions as set forth herein, subject to notification in writing to the LESSOR by the LESSEE at least six (6) months prior to the expiration of the term of this Lease.

3. The LESSEE shall maintain the premises in a safe and sanitary condition during the term of this lease, and agrees to exonerate, save harmless, protect and indemnify the LESSOR from and against any and all losses, damages, suits, claims or actions, judgments and costs which may arise or grow out of any injury to or death of any persons, or damages to property, in any manner connected with the use and possession of said premises, and for this purpose agrees to provide insurance in the amount of \$100,000/\$300,000 bodily injury and \$100,000 property damage, naming the LESSOR as a co-insured.

4. The LESSEE will not assign this Lease or sublet any part of the leased premises without the prior written approval of the Lessor, and then shall be permitted to assign or sublet only to a similarly constituted non-profit group, association or corporation.

5. The LESSEE shall execute and comply with all statutes, ordinances, rules, orders, regulations and requirements of the federal, state and city governments, and of any and all departments and bureaus thereof, applicable to said premises for the correction, prevention and abatement of nuisances or other grievances, in, upon, or connected with said premises during said term; and shall also promptly comply with and execute all rules, orders and regulations of the Southeastern Underwriters Association for the prevention of fires, at Lessee's own cost and expense.

6. The LESSOR and LESSEE mutually agree that in the event it becomes necessary for the LESSOR to cancel this Lease or if the parties reach a mutual agreement that the Lease should be canceled, then the LESSEE will have the privilege of removing the buildings and structures which have been constructed by the LESSEE on the premises.



7. In the event that the LESSEE fails to remove the said buildings and structures within three months from cancellation of this lease, then all buildings and structures erected on the premises shall, at the option of the LESSOR, become the property of the LESSOR without cost.

8. The LESSEE hereby agrees to allow the LESSOR the privilege of mooring or docking fire and police boats on the leased premises, provided that it does not interfere with the purposes of the LESSEE and that the LESSOR shall bear all costs associated with such mooring or docking.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto executed this instrument for the purposes herein expressed, the day and year first above written.

ATTEST:

CITY OF NAPLES, FLORIDA

Janet Cason  
Janet Cason  
City Clerk

By R. B. Anderson  
R. B. Anderson, Mayor

ATTEST:

NAPLES FLOTILLA, INC. (No Seal)

Michael P. C. Zins  
Secretary

By Nery E. Hiss  
President

Witnesses:

Richard L. Harris  
Eileen P. Marshall  
(As to Lessor)

Approved as to form and legality  
By James W. Rynders  
City Attorney

Alvin King  
(As to Lessee)

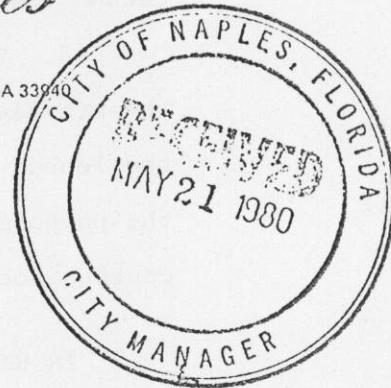


# City of Naples

735 EIGHTH STREET, SOUTH - STATE OF FLORIDA 33940

OFFICE OF THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Engineering Memo #80-75



TO: George Patterson

FROM: John McCord *Jme*

DATE: May 20, 1980

REFER: Comprehensive Plan - Bike Path  
7th Avenue, North Link from 8th Street to 7th Street

SUBJ: Request for Council Agenda Item June 4 Session or  
Work Session of June 3 Relating to Continuance from  
Council Session of April 15 Concerning Construction  
Approval in Light of Citizen Objections

## Background

On April 30 the Traffic Coordinating Committee met to discuss alternate routing of this path. Based on recent traffic count data indicating 5,700 vehicles per day for 8th Street versus 2,700 vehicles per day for 7th Avenue, an alternate path using 8th Street was ruled out. This suggestion was made at the April 15 Session at which objections to the pending construction were heard. Further, the Committee believes this path link up is a vital part of the overall plan and should be built not only for the younger people going to/from schools, but also for the adults who will use the system of bike paths endorsed by our Comprehensive Plan.

## Conclusion/Recommendation

Based on the action and further evaluation by the Traffic Committee as well as the attached data on prior discussion of

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this project it is recommended that our Council support the construction of a separate asphalt bike path on the south side of 7th Avenue, North between 7th and 8th Street.

JRM:sdm

Attachments

xc: Roger Barry  
Asst. Chief Dampier  
Mr. Leo Wilkie (Citizen Advisor to Traffic Committee)

Mr. & Mrs. Norman T. Mathiews, 714 7th Ave. No.  
Mr. & Mrs. Paul F. King, 732 7th Ave. No.  
Mr. & Mrs. Harold H. Bosin, 758 7th Ave. No.  
Mr. & Mrs. Preston T. Bishop, 788 7th Ave. No.

INFORMATION

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# City of Naples

.735 EIGHTH STREET, SOUTH - NAPLES, FLORIDA 33940

DEPARTMENT OF FIRE

May 28, 1980

City Hall  
735 8th Street South  
Naples, Florida 33940

Dear Honorable Mayor, Members of City Council, and City Manager

SUBJECT: OLD BUILDINGS DUE FOR DEMOLITION CAN SERVE  
USEFUL PURPOSES AS TRAINING GROUND FOR SHARPENING  
OF FIREFIGHTING SKILLS

I appreciate the opportunity to express in some detail a program I believe we should take advantage of as the opportunities are presented in the future.

We from time to time are made aware of buildings that are to be razed for one reason or another. If after evaluating the buildings to insure that they are structurally safe and of practical use for practice fires, we can incorporate this activity into our training program.

The experience I have had with this type of training has shown several good results.

1. Morale in the service is invariably enhanced as a direct result of this operation.
2. We utilize every conceivable piece of emergency equipment to enable each Firefighter to gain the greatest possible amount of experience.
3. All officers are able to test their leadership abilities at the field level.
4. The Fire Prevention Bureau is involved in trying and testing their skills to determine how the fire started and in what location.

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5. The City as a whole will benefit from having a better trained Fire Department.
6. The owners benefit from ridding themselves of an unwanted and often unsightly building and usually at monetary savings.

During all phases of this training to minimize any possible injuries full turnout gear including coats, helmets, boots, and gloves are mandatory. Air tanks are worn and used.

When put all together we have as realistic and practical a fire situation as you can have without having the real thing.

To guard against the unlikely but possible mistake of burning the wrong property, a release is signed by the owners or his agent relieving the City of any liability. This action will cause both owner and the Department to take a close look at the property to insure against any possible misunderstanding as to what is to be burned.

All utilities are apprised of our intent in the areas and agreement is reached with the companies before proceeding with the burning.

A visit is made to the neighbors who live in the close proximity of the burning building to explain the events and try to minimize any complaints arising in the future.

The most often heard complaint is that of smoke. We try to minimize this as much as possible by not burning on days of high humidity or on days when the wind would tend to keep the smoke from rising.

From an environmental standpoint we have researched the law and have attached a copy of the law and a letter that we have on file addressing the question. I believe both will be self-explanatory.

If you have any further questions, I will be glad to discuss this program with you at your convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT

*Norris C. Ijams*  
Norris Ijams, Fire Chief

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xc: Chief's file