



City of Naples

City Council Minutes

Workshop Meeting 09/13/89

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735 Eighth Street South
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added that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board had discussed the matter and came up with an honor roll system or recognition through the placement of plaques in conspicuous areas.

Councilman Crawford said that he believed it difficult to develop criteria to rate the worth of a contribution. An ad hoc committee assigned to review such requests would be a good idea, he continued. In response to Mr. Crawford, Community Services Director Holley explained that staff had developed some monetary minimums for recognition as well as land donations, labor, and meritorious achievements.

Discussion then ensued relative to the monetary minimums suggested by staff. Councilman Crawford said that he believed individuals with less to give who donate what they can are as important as those who can afford to contribute large sums of money. Mr. Holley said that recognition could be limited to commitment to community involvement instead of monetary amounts.

It was the consensus of Council that additional information was desired, and it directed staff to come up with some more definitive guidelines by which to recognize outstanding citizens as well as recommendations for establishing an ad hoc committee to review such nominations.

ITEM 2

DISCUSSION OF CONTRACTORS WORKING
OUTSIDE SCOPE OF BUILDING PERMIT.

City Manager Jones advised that this item was the result of several members of Council directing staff to find means with which to hold a contractor responsible for construction that occurs outside the scope of a building permit. Community Development Director McKim noted that staff had recommended that the following disciplinary actions could be taken against such contractors: increased building permit fees for after-the-fact permits; suspension of permitting

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privileges for a specified period of time; fine; or suspension/revocation of license. Staff then discussed the ramifications associated with each of those actions.

Councilman Graver said that he would favor use of some or all of those disciplinary actions with the punishment increasing each time an offense occurs. Mr. Richardson said that he believed this action would help take the property owner "off the hook."

Mrs. McKim concluded that once Council denies an after-the-fact variance, the message would be relayed to the contractors that this type of action will not be acceptable.

It was the consensus of Council that staff should prepare a draft document for its review and approval incorporating a number of the disciplinary actions recommended at these proceedings.

ITEM 3

DISCUSSION OF RENTAL OF BOAT DOCKS IN
RESIDENTIAL AREAS.

City Manager Jones advised that Aqualane Shores Property Owners Association had suggested a zoning change which would prohibit a single family residential property owner to lease boat dockage space without first obtaining the consent of Council. Additionally, it would provide that only one permit per single family residence could be issued.

Attorney Jim Weigel, President of the Association, advised that there has been a problem with some residents leasing between three and four boat slips on their property. Such use not only obscures the view for adjacent neighbors, but creates a crowded condition on the inland waterways, he said.

Councilman Muenzer asked if Attorney Weigel had discussed this with the President's Council to

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determine if other neighborhoods had the same problem. Mr. Weigel advised that he had not yet spoken to that group.

Referring to the costs associated with enforcing this ordinance, Councilman Crawford said that he did not believe such an ordinance was feasible. City Manager Jones advised that staff anticipated this to be accomplished administratively and only enforced when a complaint has been received.

In response to Mr. Richardson, Community Development Director McKim noted that only two complaints have been received to date regarding such use in that residential area. Councilman Richardson suggested that those two problems be addressed rather than creating a new system for the entire City. He further pointed out that each lot was different inasmuch as one may have two slips, another may have a dock the entire length of the property, etc.

It was the consensus of Council that staff should prepare a draft ordinance to obtain feedback from the Aqualane Shores Property Owners Association and the President's Council regarding the lease of boat slips in a residential area.

ITEM 4

DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE USES FOR TROY PROPERTY.

City Manager Jones advised the developer for the Troy property had requested some guidance from Council as to whether or not it would be interested in acquiring approximately five to six acres of land at that site. In response to Councilman Richardson, Mr. Jones noted that the price for this property has been estimated by the owner to be \$250,000 per acre.

One use that staff has anticipated for the property, Mr. Jones said, was for a three to five million gallon storage water tank. There would be sufficient room, he said, to place office uses

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above that tank. Additionally, if there was a need for more space at City Hall, that property could be used for government facilities.

Discussion then ensued relative to the developer's proposed project on that site. Plans for that development have not yet been submitted to the City for its review.

If it was the desire of Council to acquire this property, funds could be made available through a reimbursement agreement recently satisfied by the County, Mr. Jones explained.

Councilman Muenzer said that he would not support purchase of this property as he believed it too expensive for a water storage tank site. Mr. Crawford concurred and said that if staff could show a need for the property he would then support such a purchase.

City Manager Jones pointed out that many departments were housed outside the perimeter of City Hall and were asked to look at their expansion needs some five to ten years down the line. As requested by Council, staff has started a study which would address the current space needs of the City as well as its future needs. This property might help with addressing those needs, he said.

Councilman Richardson said he believed staff should proceed with negotiations for this property for the future planning needs of the City. Mr. Graver concurred and said that such a purchase would preserve available land for future use.

Vice Mayor Barnett also noted that he was in favor of such negotiations.

It was the consensus of Council that staff should proceed with non-binding negotiations for purchase of between five and six acres of the current Troy site.

Assistant City Manager Wiltsie then brought the Council up-to-speed relative improvements at the

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Four Corners intersection. The beginning of next week construction on that project will commence, he said.

Staff also advised that work would begin on the Chamber roof and atrium area, and it asked that those in attendance try to avoid that area until the work has been completed.

Councilman Barnett suggested that Council hold its December meetings on the first and second Wednesday of the month. Staff was directed to prepare a resolution approving the same.

ADJOURN: 3:00 p.m.


WILLIAM E. BARNETT, Vice Mayor


JANET CASON
CITY CLERK

JODIE O'DRISCOLL
DEPUTY CLERK

These minutes of the Naples City Council were approved on 11-1-89.

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Other interested citizens and visitors.

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