

City Council Chamber 735 Eighth Street South Naples, Florida 33940

# City Council Workshop Meeting - November 21, 1994 - 9:00 a.m.

Mayor Muenzer called the meeting to order and presided.

ROLL CALL ITEM 1

**Present:** Paul W. Muenzer, Mayor

Alan R. Korest, Vice Mayor

Council Members:

Ronald M. Pennington

Marjorie Prolman (left at 11:40 a.m.)

Fred L. Sullivan Fred Tarrant

**Absent:** Peter H. Van Arsdale, Council Member

#### **Also Present:**

Dr. Richard L. Woodruff, City Manager

Maria J. Chiaro, City Attorney

Kevin Rambosk, Assistant City Manager

William Harrison, Finance Director

Missy McKim, Comm Development Dir.

John Cole, Chief Planner

Mary Kay McShane, Human Res. Dir.

Lori Burk, Human Res. Officer

Becky Vice, Training & Dev. Coord.

Sheldon Reed, Fire Chief

Alan McLaughlin, Battalion Chief

Richard Gatti, Engineering Manager

Timothy Cully, Police Officer

Troy Corbin, Utilities Analyst

George Henderson, Sergeant-at-Arms Tara Norman, Deputy City Clerk

Werner Haardt

**News Media:** 

Eric Staats, Naples Daily News

Amy Chodroff, WNOG

Other interested citizens and visitors.

ITEMS TO BE ADDED

ITEM 2

None.

City Manager Woodruff announced that at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 5th, a meeting will be held to discuss the possibility of establishing a special assessment district for the Avion Park subdivision for central sewer and canal maintenance. The meeting will take place in the conference room in the Collier County Mosquito Control building near Avion Park. In addition, it was noted that Council Members had been invited to attend a luncheon with Planner Andres Duany (5th Avenue Plan) at the Cambier Park Pavilion on December 5th.

## PUBLIC SAFETY CONCEPT REVIEW

ITEM 3

City Manager Woodruff indicated that a decision with reference to public safety reorganization would be solely that of the Council and not his decision, as erroneously reported by the *Naples Daily News*.

Assistant City Manager Kevin Rambosk distributed a report entitled "Blueprint for the Future - Public Safety." (A copy of this report is contained in the file for this meeting in the City Clerk's Office.) He indicated that research into combining certain police and fire functions had centered around what additional services could be provided through use of employee down time and what goals and objectives could be realized through this type of organization.

According to the report, public safety was defined as: "The total compliment of fundamental public fire, emergency, compliance, and law enforcement services as provided by a governmental entity which are necessary to ensure the safety, health, and welfare of the people within the community."

The staff review of consolidation coincided with the retirement of both the Fire Chief and Police Chief, Mr. Rambosk said. He recognized the efforts of these two individuals which included achieving the best ISO fire insurance rating in the state and achieving national police accreditation.

Among the issues considered in the reorganization study were economies of scale, commonality of function, increased service, and simplicity of communication. (A chart showing the functional comparison of inspection, fire and police services is included as Attachment 1.) Mr. Rambosk pointed out that it is already known that coordination of the two functions works well because of successful functioning during hurricanes. He predicted that some resistance to the concept may however be presented by the three labor unions and other employees.

Mr. Rambosk called Council's attention to a chart (Attachment 2) listing various cities with public safety departments, their population and number of officers. Organizations ranged from those which had fully consolidated police and fire functions to those with varying lesser degrees of consolidation. Typically, Mr. Rambosk said, larger organizations tended to be less consolidated than smaller ones.

Mr. Rambosk then reviewed service demands of the current functional population of the City and the

daily vehicular traffic. He pointed out that regardless of a vehicle's destination, each trip through the City would bring approximately 1.5 people who at any time might be in need of emergency services, regardless of where they reside. The current functional summer population of 78,595 and winter population of 105,100, he said, could more than double in 15 to 20 years. Mr. Rambosk also pointed out charts on Pages 35-40 of the report which detailed building permit activity, fire and police calls for service, and crime statistics. It was assumed that demand for all of these services will grow along with the population.

Mr. Rambosk then explained, however, that through administrative cross functions and implementation of a philosophy of community-oriented service, groups inside and outside city government could work together. He recommended, for example, that employees throughout the organization be further empowered to take action and solve problems and that lines of communication be extended to all sections of the community so that citizens' needs could be better known.

In conclusion, Mr. Rambosk stated that the recommendation of the staff is to reorganize police, fire, emergency, inspection and permitting services into a functional, or nominal, consolidation under a Public Safety Department. A prototype organizational chart appears as Attachment 3.

City Manager Woodruff commended the staff for its extensive work on this report and asked that over the following weeks the Council review in detail the information provided so that additional discussions could culminate in formal action in January. Mayor Muenzer suggested that a block of time be set aside at the December 19th workshop.

Break: 10:35 a.m. to 10:46 a.m. It is noted for the record that the same members of Council were present when the meeting reconvened.

CONSIDER PURCHASE OF WATER SAVING DEVICES FOR LAVATORIES ITEM 4 City Manager Woodruff stated that Council Member Sullivan had brought to the staff's attention a device which is designed to save water when a commode is flushed. Dr. Woodruff then played a video tape showing testing of the device at the City's water plant. A savings of 9/10 gallon per use is anticipated, or an average of 10 to 12 gallons of water per day per water system customer. Dr. Woodruff proposed that these devices be installed in the homes of Council Members for further evaluation. After further discussion, it was determined that the staff would continue to research this and other water saving devices on the market.

## **UPDATE ON REUSE WATER**

ITEM 6

City Manager Woodruff explained that the City's goal had been to reduce effluent discharge into the Gordon River by 500,000 gallons per day by expanding irrigation consumption. Through projects either completed or under construction, this goal had now been reached. He said that it would nevertheless be the determination of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection whether the City could defer both expansion the wastewater treatment plant and improvement of the treatment process.

Utility Analyst Troy Corbin reviewed the various golf course systems and other projects under construction as well as those completed and those under analysis (Attachment 4). Dr. Woodruff pointed out, however, that with increasing demand there may not be a sufficient supply of reuse water to supplement irrigation needs during dry months. Alternatives such as storage of reuse water and utilization of raw water to supplement the supply are being considered. Mr. Sullivan suggested that staff look into the possibility of establishing a pumping schedule for the effluent reuse system during dry months.

Dr. Woodruff also noted that in the coming weeks an inverse rate structure would be recommended to the Council which would further encourage utilization of reuse water for irrigation. In conclusion, the Council concurred with the staff's recommendation to continue to pursue expanded demand by both current customers and new customers.

#### REPORT ON NEW COLLIER COUNTY RADIO SYSTEM

ITEM 5

City Manager Woodruff stated that the staff did not recommend that the City assume any funding responsibility for the new 800mhz communication system being purchased by Collier County. Although the City would be willing to install 800mhz radio units if provided by the County, Dr. Woodruff said, there is no justification to abandon the City's current communications system which is working well. Even after the County installs the new system, the Police Department and Sheriff's Department could effectively communicate when needed through hand-held units placed in each vehicle at much less cost than converting the County system, Dr. Woodruff concluded.

### **Correspondence and Communications**

Gordon River Bridge: City Manager Woodruff provided the Council with results of a telephone survey conducted by the management staff in which 115 randomly selected homes responded. The survey (Attachment 5) indicated that 64% of respondents favored a second bridge over the Gordon River by 1998; 69% had indicated that they favored funding through a six-month addition to the sales tax county-wide. Vice Mayor Korest said that this survey was badly needed by the MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) to eliminate doubts by the County Commission of public support. Council Member Tarrant, however, questioned whether the survey questions were drafted so as not to influence responses.

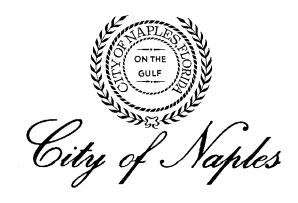
**Mooring Line Drive Median Opening:** Engineering Manager Richard Gatti distributed a drawing showing a proposed opening in the median on Mooring Line Drive which is located immediately north of the Naples Shopping Center at the intersection of U.S. 41. The cost will be approximately \$10,000 and will coincide with installation of a water reuse line. The median cut will provide a safer outlet for westbound traffic from the shopping center than currently exists with the present driveway and median configuration. It was the consensus that this work be accomplished.

Jasmine Cay: Council Member Tarrant requested a report on the status of this project. Dr. Woodruff indicated that most of the Council Members had provided him with written responses of which elements each felt should remain in the project in light of the developer's request for deletions. Items which were listed by Council Members as essential include screened porches, security lighting, playground, and extra outlets for cable and telephone; desirable items were landscaping, dishwashers and disposals. According to Council preferences, roofing materials could be changed and the exterior colored stucco band eliminated. Dr. Woodruff said that Building Official William Overstreet was in the process of seeking public comment on an ordinance amendment which would allow for a change in the type of electrical conduit material required by the City code. However, he said, the changes still did not total the quarter-million- dollar reduction requested by the developer. Various Council Members indicated that they understood that the changes outlined would not necessitate a further review by the Council unless a lack of agreement by the developer did not allow the project to go forward.

**Vista del Mar:** In response to Mayor Muenzer, City Attorney Chiaro said that reconsideration of Vista del Mar should remain on the December 7th City Council agenda despite withdrawal of a request for rehearing of the matter by those opposed to the project. This process would be a cautious approach so that public input would be assured throughout, she said.

<b>ADJOURN:</b> 12:28 p.m.		
	Paul W. Muenzer, Mayor	
Janet Cason City Clerk		
Tara A. Norman Deputy City Clerk		

These minutes of Naples City Council approved on December 7, 1994.



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