

City Council Chamber 735 Eighth Street South Naples, Florida 33940

City Council Workshop Meeting - March 11, 1996 - 8:00 a.m.

Mayor Barnett called the meeting to order and presided.

ROLL CALL ITEM 1

Present: Bill Barnett, Mayor

Marjorie Prolman, Vice Mayor

Council Members:

Bonnie R. MacKenzie

John R. Nocera (Arrived at 8:02 a.m.) Fred L. Sullivan (Arrived at 8:03 a.m.)

Fred Tarrant

Peter H. Van Arsdale

Also Present:

Dr. Richard L. Woodruff, City Manager Maria J. Chiaro, City Attorney

JoAnne Bradford,

Administrative Assistant II

Virginia Neet, Deputy City Clerk

George Henderson, Sergeant-at-Arms

Jim Rideoutte

Nina Cairns

Charles Dauray

Ruth Bennett

Ronald Soulard

Susan Ramsey Aldrich

Bruce D'Elia

John Massey

Other interested citizens and visitors

Media:

David Taylor, Continental Cablevision

ITEMS TO BE ADDEDITEM 2
None. (8:02 a.m.)

In response to Mayor Barnett, City Attorney Chiaro explained that it had been the policy of the prior Council to conduct advisory board interviews during Workshop Meetings and to take official action regarding the appointments during Regular Meetings. She clarified, however, that there was no legal prohibition to making the appointments during a Workshop Meeting.

It was the consensus of Council that appointments to advisory boards would be made during Workshop Meetings, immediately after interviews of the candidates. Interviews were then conducted with the following candidates:

James Rideoutte Nina Cairns Charles Dauray

During Council discussion between interviews, Vice Mayor Prolman requested that, prior to candidate interviews, Council receive a profile of those advisory boards with vacancies, including the names of the members and their professions. Council Member Van Arsdale then questioned the intent of the City ordinance prohibiting communications between Council Members and members of the Planning Advisory Board regarding issues before the P.A.B. Council Member Van Arsdale described the prohibition as counter-productive, particularly during the development of the new Comprehensive Plan. Council Member Nocera concurred stating that it was crucial for Council to work with the P.A.B. and Council Member MacKenzie observed that Council/P.A.B. communication could aid the Comprehensive Planning process. City Attorney Chiaro explained the rationale behind the ordinance and stated that since the P.A.B., in general, deals with land use issues, the ordinance was intended to maintain the integrity of P.A.B. decisions by eliminating any potential for Council influence. Council Member Tarrant concurred with the ordinance's intent and commented that the Comprehensive Planning process could be discussed in joint Council/P.A.B. public meetings. Mayor Barnett, Vice Mayor Prolman, and Council Member Sullivan also voiced support for the ordinance. In response to further Council inquiries, City Attorney Chiaro clarified that this prohibition does not apply to discussion of items before Council or general planning issues.

Break 9:06 a.m. - 9:13 a.m. It is noted for the record that the same Council Members were present when the meeting reconvened.

After the break, interviews were conducted with the following candidates:

Ruth Bennett

Ronald Soulard

Susan Ramsey Aldrich

<u>MOTION</u> by Van Arsdale to <u>APPROVE</u> Resolution 96-7659 <u>APPOINTING</u> <u>JAMES T. RIDEOUTTE</u>; seconded by Sullivan and unanimously carried, all members present and voting. (MacKenzie-yes, Nocera-yes, Prolman-yes, Sullivan-yes, Tarrant-yes, Van Arsdale-yes, Barnett-yes)

After the vote, it was determined that the City Attorney would notify Mr. Rideoutte of his appointment. Council Member Nocera commented that all of the candidates were well qualified and expressed hope that those not chosen re-apply for other advisory board vacancies.

Break 9:54 a.m. - 10:13 a.m. It is noted for the record that the same Council Members were present when the meeting reconvened.

INTERVIEWS WITH CANDIDATES FOR THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD (3 vacancies - 1 business person; 2 alternate members)

Interviews were conducted with the following candidates:

Bruce D'Elia John Massey

It was determined that interviews with candidates John Passidomo and John Saltsman would be conducted during the March 18, 1996 Workshop Meeting. Appointments would be made after these interviews.

Between interviews, Council discussion focused on a second Gordon River Bridge and Council Members Van Arsdale and Nocera remarked on public comments favorable to a second bridge. Council Member MacKenzie, however, relayed comments from citizens who are opposed to the bridge. Feasibility of a toll bridge was also discussed.

CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS (10:46 a.m.)

Council Member Sullivan requested that Workshop Meetings start at 8:30 a.m. as opposed to 8:00 a.m.

It was the consensus of Council that as of March 18, 1996, Workshop Meetings would commence at 8:30 a.m.

Council Member Tarrant requested clarification about the public input procedure during the March

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12, 1996 Special Meeting relating to Pelican Bay annexation. Mayor Barnett stated that public input would be permitted after the staff presentation but explained that it must relate to the data presented. Mayor Barnett added that the meeting would be recorded and the video tape would be available to the public.
ADJOURN
(10:54 a.m.)
Bill Barnett, Mayor
Tara A. Norman
Chief Deputy City Clerk
Prepared by:
Virginia A. Neet
Deputy City Clerk
Minutes approved: 4/17/96



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