

PALMETTO CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MINUTES
April 28, 2003

Elected Officials Present:

Larry Bustle, Mayor
Shirley Bryant, Vice Mayor
Tamara Cornwell, Council Member
Charlie Grace, Council Member
Mary Lancaster, Council Member
Brian Williams, Council Member

Staff and others present:

Jim Free, City Clerk
Chief Garry Lowe
Mike Hickey, Public Works Director
Diane Ponder, Administrative Assistant

Mayor Bustle called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Pastor Dennis Tabor, Tenth Street Baptist Church, gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Ms. Bryant moved, Mr. Williams seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the April 28, 2003 agenda.

2. SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE

The maintenance and cleaning of City provided containers will be researched by the City Clerk and reported on to Council. Council discussed proposed language placing the responsibility on the property owner to ensure their tenant satisfies all outstanding solid waste fees prior to vacating the property. Staff will research the genesis of maintenance fees charged on City provided containers and report to Council. The revised, proposed ordinance will be brought back to Council for review and approval.

3. POOL ENCLOSURE ORDINANCE

Building Official Roger Titus advised Council the Florida Building Code, Chapter 4 states any structure 24" in depth containing water is considered a pool and requires a barrier. He also stated the exception to the barrier regulation is an aboveground pool 4' in height with a removable ladder. Council instructed City staff to determine a way to promote the requirement of barriers for shallow depth pools prevalent in the City during the summer require a barrier. It was also suggested that retailers should be made aware of requirements so they can educate consumers purchasing the shallow type pools. Council accepted the ordinance as presented and instructed staff to proceed with the standard ordinance adoption schedule.

4. STREETS ORDINANCE

Council accepted the ordinance as presented and instructed staff to proceed with the standard ordinance adoption schedule.

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5. UTILITY ORDINANCE

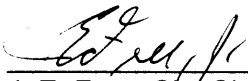
Sections of the ordinance discussing the requirement to connect to the sanitary sewer and potable water systems shall be amended to also include the City's reuse system. Section 29-7 will be amended to exempt owners currently receiving utility service from the mandatory annexations that will be applied to any new owners requesting these services. Staff will research other municipal codes as they relate to property owners' responsibility for tenants delinquent and skipped utility bills. The revised ordinance will be brought for further discussion at the May 12, 2003 workshop meeting.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Clement Flynn, 154 New York Street, Jet Park, commented on the City providing City patrol cars for off-duty police officers doing private security patrols in Jet Park. Mayor Bustle stated that like the School Resource Officers the City provides for schools in the community, providing a patrol car to an off-duty police officer is an added service to the residents in Jet Park.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Minutes approved: May 5, 2003



J. E. Free, City Clerk