

COMMISSION CONFERENCE**FEBRUARY 1, 2005**

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COMMISSION CONFERENCE WORKSHOP 1:32 P.M. FEBRUARY 1, 2005

Present: Mayor Naugle
Commissioners Hutchinson, Teel, Moore and Vice Mayor Trantalis

Also Present: City Manager – George Gretsas
City Attorney - Harry A. Stewart
City Clerk - Jonda K. Joseph
Sergeant At Arms – Sergeant Mike White

I-A -- Broward County Boat Facility Siting Plan

Frank Herhold, Marine Industries Association of South Florida, said they represent an industry with an \$8.8 Billion economic impact. He said that a survey shows that over 50% of individuals boat weekly, and at least 80% do so monthly. He said they have averaged only two Manatee fatalities per year over a 30-year period. He said there are three parts to a Manatee Protection Plan. The first two parts were done ten years ago, consisting of the public awareness and education components, along with the speed zones. Today is the final part, consisting of the boat facility siting plan.

Mr. Herhold said they are meeting with Broward County and working through the process. The County is built out and facilities are being lost. He said that the Department of Environmental Protection staff raised an important question in regard to boating activity and the level of Manatee mortalities in comparison with other counties. He said there is still a marina and boatyard moratorium. He felt the plan does not adequately address a balance between family recreational boating, the marine industry, and a strong and effective Manatee Protection Plan.

Mr. Herhold asked the Commission to endorse the industry's concern through a resolution, and asked for the term "science based or scientific" to be added to paragraph 4 of the proposed resolution on page 2, Part IV, and request that the County add to the Manatee Core Group representatives from the City's Marine Advisory Board.

Barry Flanigan said the Marine Advisory Board is very passionate about this matter.

Mayor Naugle thanked the Board for all their hard work and time regarding this issue.

Commissioner Teel said she is concerned with the intent of the resolution. The third paragraph of the plan says: "The first draft of the plan was released by Broward County. If adopted without modification, it could curtail expansion." She said it also discusses expanding facilities along the New River and the Intracoastal Waterway, along with new facilities in those areas. She said she is concerned about expanding into residential areas, and having commercial intrusion.

Mayor Naugle asked if they could add that due to the restrictions being placed on boatyards and marinas, commercial intrusion is being forced into residential areas.

Commissioner Teel agreed, but stated it is the City's responsibility that such things do not happen. She said they allude to the fact that there was not enough public input because the meeting had not been publicized.

Mr. Herhold said that little notice was given. Commissioner Teel said the County “dropped the ball” in not notifying everyone. She felt if public input is being requested, then proper notification should be provided.

Commissioner Teel said in the fifth paragraph it states: “...consideration should be given to variances to the plan.” She said the word “variance” caused her concern.

Mayor Naugle suggested “modification or changes” be used instead. Commissioner Teel agreed.

Commissioner Teel said the affected parties are the residential property owners and the general public, along with the marine industry, and individuals wanting to protect Manatees. She felt the constant denial that this would happen was the wrong path chosen over the last 10 years. The State will require such a plan. She did not think this is a viable plan, but it needs to be done. The City also needs to encourage the County to think of the Port as an alternative. She felt the word “scientific” is good. However she feared that the scientific community would like 2, 3 or 5 years more time to study the matter, and more studies will slow down the process and be hurtful in the long run.

Commissioner Moore agreed with Commissioner Teel, but he felt they should state their position regarding the figure of two per year as an average due to the amount of traffic in the area, as well as the number of Manatees in the area. He felt attaining this number is the position that should be taken because they could not attain the 100% figure. He did not think things could be done better. They should realize such incidents would occur. He further said the City’s goal should be not to exceed that number.

Mayor Naugle said that a minimal amount of Manatee mortality presently exists in Broward County, and such should be stated in the resolution.

Commissioner Teel said the industry also needs to recognize this. She said they could get as close to perfection as possible.

Mayor Naugle asked if the recommendation should be based on science.

Commissioner Teel said it should be based on science, but she was concerned that it took too long to collect the necessary data. Mayor Naugle said they need to look at known science.

Vice Mayor Trantalis said the word “science” is used to show there could be natural ways to intercept the migrating paths of the Manatees because it appears they are interfering with them through the FP&L Plan. He said that known science might be appropriate.

Commissioner Teel said the warming of the water abnormally affects the Manatee migration pattern.

Commissioner Moore said for all such reasons, the City maintained a lower figure regarding fatalities. He said nothing else could be done to lower the number. Commissioner Teel disagreed and felt more things could be done.

The City Attorney asked where the term “known science” is to be inserted.

Mayor Naugle said the wording should be as follows: “Establish Manatee protection measures that are based on known science and are both innovative and pro-active.”

Commissioner Moore said it needs to be realistic.

Commissioner Teel did not think the word “achievable” should be used.

Mayor Naugle said that Senator Geller has requested a copy of this plan.

Action: Language will be added to Item (4) of the resolution specifying the Plan provide for the establishment of manatee protection measures that are “based on known science” and are both innovative and proactive, and urging the County Commission to appoint two City of Fort Lauderdale Marine Advisory Board representatives on the Broward County Manatee Core Group. A copy of the resolution is to be provided to Senator Geller. Refer to Agenda Item R-1 of the Regular Meeting.

I-B – Oakland Park Boulevard Bridge Painting

Peter Partington, City Engineer, said the Oakland Park Bridge is to be repainted. He said that Jose Quintana, FDOT representative and District Structures and Facilities Engineer, is present, along with the Project Manager, to answer questions, and receive input regarding management of traffic during this project.

Jose Quintana said this needs to be done. Two proposals were given to the City. One is an 18-day closure with a construction period. The other is a 90-day construction period whereby there would be a single lane of traffic. Two consecutive weekends would be required for closure from Friday afternoon through Sunday morning. He said they need to proceed as soon as possible. The project is scheduled to begin after Memorial Day.

The City Manager said there are community concerns and an opportunity for additional feedback would be provided. Therefore, no decision is requested at this time.

Commissioner Teel asked how often bridges are repainted. Mr. Quintana said about every 10 years, but it depends on the quality of the paint and the environment. Commissioner Teel asked when the Oakland Park Bridge had been painted. Mr. Quintana said about 7 years ago. Commissioner Teel said it seems like the Sunrise Bridge is in worse disrepair. Mr. Quintana said he has heard such comments in the past.

Commissioner Teel said she is concerned that enough time has not been granted to discuss this matter with the individuals that would be affected by the project. She said she is hearing mixed comments, including comments regarding the impact on emergency vehicles.

Otis Latin, Chief Fire and Rescue, said if the bridge is closed completely, a different route would have to be taken, and possibly the response time would be a little longer.

Commissioner Teel said one of the units is located on Commercial Boulevard and Holy Cross Hospital is in the same area.

Chief Latin said once they receive the patient, there would be communication with the hospital.

Commissioner Teel asked if only two lanes were opened, would traffic hinder the progress of emergency vehicles. Chief Latin said traffic always must be navigated. They would do their best.

Mr. Quintana said that there would be communication with the contractor during the project; emergency vehicles would be able to get through.

Commissioner Teel asked if more time could be granted to discuss the issue with the public.

Mr. Partington said an answer is needed as soon as possible.

Commissioner Teel said she is leaning toward the 18-day closure, but believed the public needs to hear all additional information as to how traffic would be managed.

Commissioner Moore asked if the 18-day alternative was chosen, would the project be done in those 18 days.

Mr. Quintana said they have allowed for rain in the 18-day proposal.

Mr. Quintana said the bridge is to be painted blue. The degree of fading would depend on the final coating. This color is being used in various locations.

Commissioner Teel asked if information could be provided regarding the Sunrise Bridge at the February 15, 2005 meeting. Mr. Quintana said this bridge is scheduled for a couple of years down the road.

Action: Recommendation to be made on February 15, 2005.

I-C – Update on Northwest Commercial Redevelopment Project

Marc LaFerrier said staff is working with the City Attorney and the developer regarding the Development Agreement. He said things will be presented that are agreed to in concept, and information would be supplied regarding terms of the agreement requiring additional negotiations and information. In 30 days, a draft preliminary agreement would be presented, along with a list of issues requiring Commission direction. Then, in 60 days, a final agreement would be presented.

Mr. LaFerrier said discussions were held at the last Commission meeting and he was directed to meet with Bob Fogel at his store in Sunrise. He said the store was clean and well run. He understood Mr. Fogel's approach to business, and that Mr. Fogel is experienced in opening grocery stores, and understands the niche market he has. He wants to make sure this is an up and coming area with a growing market. Mr. Fogel indicated that received incentive regarding some of his other stores, but Mr. LaFerrier said he did not discuss such matters. Mr. LaFerrier said that such discussions might be held in the future with the developer or during overall negotiations.

Mr. LaFerrier said the last item mentioned was that there needs to be an up-to-date market study for the area.

The City Manager said it was made clear to the developer that the Development Agreement already contains incentives, and no additional incentives would be offered to the supermarket operator.

Mayor Naugle said a positive article was written regarding the residential units between Federal Highway and Andrews Avenue in the immediate area.

Mr. LaFerrier said the Commission wants the food store to proceed in the first phase. Negotiations between the developer and the food store owner, Bob Fogel, need to take place at the same time as the Development Agreement.

Commissioner Moore hoped the City's Economic Development Department will be aware of the possible tax credits that could be received regarding this project. He said the job incentive information should be added to the package.

Mr. LaFerrier said the developer reconfirmed the food store will be done in the first phase. He said that Church's Chicken is to be included with the overall development of the project, making this a unified plan and project. He said the developer would take the lead to acquire the site, and if they did acquire it, the City needs the first right of refusal.

Commissioner Moore said the developer would deal with the acquisition of Church's Chicken site at his cost. Mr. LaFerrier confirmed that is correct and said an update would be provided within 30 days. Commissioner Moore wanted it to be clear that the developer would acquire the site. The City Manager confirmed that is understood. Commissioner Moore said it does not have anything to do with the City relocating the restaurant to another site, but if it was to be relocated, it would be done at the developer's expense. The City Manager said there is some ambiguity regarding that issue, and the question is who owns the property when an alternative location is defined. It could be a CRA site. It would have to be determined if the site is acceptable. The City would need to be part of the process.

Mayor Naugle said it should be a sit-down restaurant and not just a carry-out.

Commissioner Moore emphasized the community has worked on this development site for over 20 years. When the commercial use of the 5 acres was proposed, it did not involve Church's Chicken. A commercial development was proposed including a supermarket opposite the Post Office, but no housing. He said if this is to be changed by the developer and the developer feels a better site can be achieved by removing the Church's, then it would be at the developer's expense. He emphasized that there will not be a developer's interest placed before the people's interest in what has been acquired with CRA development dollars for redeveloping the community. He said there is nothing on the chart of that redevelopment plan for a Church's Chicken in the Progresso area. Church's has been a demon to that community's perception of quality to that location. If you look at how the present operator operates this restaurant, it is dirty, unsightly, and does not meet Code.

Vice Mayor Trantalis said his understanding is that there is no particular nexus between the issues. The developer would have the expense of acquiring the property, and if the restaurant chose to relocate, these are two separate projects.

The City Manager said the developer could return and say he made a deal with the restaurant and a certain site would be needed. Then, the Commission would have to determine if the chosen site is acceptable.

Vice Mayor Trantalis said if such a connection is made, then the first development agreement is at risk of being lost so the City's hands would not be tied. These are two separate issues.

The City Attorney said if Church's is relocated, it would not be the present day restaurant because it would have to be developed in accordance with the existing Zoning Code and Land Use Plan, and Site Plan Regulations. The project would be a better one.

The City Manager said the developer has photographs of other sites.

The City Attorney said the contract will come before the Commission, and the agreement will have no relation between the relocation of Church's Chicken and the approval of this agreement. He said it would be the developer's responsibility, and will not preclude the developer from coming back and stating they want to purchase a piece of property from the City which could be approved or denied. This agreement will have nothing to do with such a matter.

The City Manager believed the request is coming and wanted the Commission to be aware of this.

Commissioner Moore said he does not have a problem with the developer acquiring the restaurant to enhance the development site. He said based upon the assemblage that took place by the Northwest-Progresso CRA, such a restaurant is not a desirable business for the area. The CRA property is not on the table, it has a concept of mixed-use development.

Mayor Naugle did not think a City government could outlaw a certain type of restaurant, and in discussions regarding the site it should be referred to a stand alone restaurant. He did not think the City is precluding a stand alone restaurant.

Mr. Shawn Jones said his father Milton and mother Barbara are present today because they anticipated certain decisions would have to be made. Their intent regarding Church's Chicken is to provide a site within the Sistrunk Corridor. The owner of the franchise acquired the property in a bankruptcy and wanted to make the restaurant better. He said a site has not yet been chosen, and they discussed coming to the City to acquire property for the restaurant. He said further they wanted a fall back to incorporate this restaurant into the development site for the existing project. He said they feel this could be done in a tasteful way.

Commissioner Moore said he does not object, but the operator of the franchise has had the facility for one year and has not shown any respect to the community. He said if it was part of the Jones development, then he would be assured it would be done right.

Mayor Naugle said one option is to locate a restaurant in the development along with the grocery store and the mixed use.

Commissioner Moore said he did not want to waste everyone's time. He wanted the developer to know there is no opportunity for CRA property to be part of the deal in bringing the franchise to the corridor. If property is acquired, he would not object.

Mayor Naugle asked Commissioner Moore if he would object if a two-story building is constructed on CRA property having a restaurant, along with an office or retail store, and apartments above. Commissioner Moore said if an obnoxious operator is to be moved from one location to another, then he would object, but if it is to be a different concept and perception of operation, then he would not object. He asked for the Commission's support in making the issue clear to the developer at this time.

Vice Mayor Trantalis asked if the Commission was treading on "shaky territory" in saying that a certain company could not operate or could the matter be limited to a certain operator due to a known track record. He asked if such matters are to be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

The City Attorney said a particular business could not be identified. He said Commissioner Moore is indicating that a fast food and drive-thru type of business should not be on the corridor.

Vice Mayor Trantalis asked if the City could describe the appropriate type of restaurant business they are seeking in objective terms without seeking out a particular operator or company. Both the City Attorney and Commissioner Moore agreed that could be done.

Commissioner Moore asked that Code staff visit the restaurant site.

Mr. LaFerrier said that 2-3 years would be required for the project from execution of the Development Agreement to obtaining the final CO. He further said actions would be required by the Commission regarding site plan approval, possible rezoning, amending the plat, and allocation of flex units. He said another matter discussed, but requiring additional clarification, is in regard to Block grants. The property was purchased with Block Grant monies designated for economic development with job creation of low to moderate jobs. There is to be about 60 jobs created at the site.

Vice Mayor Trantalis asked if the grocery store is being built on private land or CRA land. Mr. LaFerrier said it is being built on land purchased with Block Grant money.

Mr. LaFerrier said due to the introduction of mixed-use development, there is an added requirement by HUD that 51% of the housing is to be for low to moderate income. He said discussions were held by the developer regarding a broader range of housing for the site that would be more in line with work force housing. To make such a modification to the development program for this site, clearance would have to be given by HUD.

Commissioner Moore said consensus is needed regarding this project. He said further that when this commercial development was first discussed, there was to be 150 jobs. He asked why the number is being lowered to 60 jobs.

The City Attorney said originally the site consisted of ten acres which included the post office, and five acres was already developed. Therefore, a number of jobs have already been created.

Since the property was acquired with Block Grant monies, Commissioner Moore asked why would there be any number of units not used for low to moderate income housing. He said such monies are specifically to be used for such a market.

Mayor Naugle thought the housing was to be mixed. Commissioner Moore said that Block Grant dollars are being used and HUD's rules are to be followed.

The City Attorney said the promise was to create the jobs, but residential was added to the mix. If the jobs were supplied, then the obligation under the Grant has been met. If residential units are added, then HUD may apply the other regulations with the 51%. Mayor Naugle said some combination could be done. The City Attorney said if all requirements are met, then HUD could not complain. The number of jobs is not being reduced; housing is being added to the mix.

Commissioner Moore said if the job requirement is met, then he would like to see 51% used for low to moderate income housing. The City would help them with the other 49%. Since Block Grant dollars are being used, they should assure that some of the housing units meet the work force. He asked if the Commission objected.

Mr. Jones said they need to determine if that is feasible. They are attempting to create mixed housing. The first project done was at 60% for low to medium income, and the City's requirement was 51%. They exceeded the requirement. For the next 40 years there would be low income housing stock in the area. By having mixed housing, they could attract retail.

The City Attorney said the City is not prepared at this time to provide percentages until they meet with HUD. Commissioner Moore did not want the City talking to HUD about something he nor the community might not want. He wanted to provide direction to the City Attorney regarding what he would say to HUD, and provide parameters within which to work.

Commissioner Hutchinson said that HUD might provide parameters.

Commissioner Moore wanted to state to the developer that 51% of the proposed units would meet a certain usage.

Mr. Jones said they are not saying they would not provide affordable housing, but he feel the market should dictate.

Vice Mayor Trantalis said that HUD probably has guidelines.

Margaret Hayes, Community Development, said HUD's requirement is a 51% ratio, and anything outside of it has to receive approval. She said that other considerations would be included in the draft Development Agreement, and then feedback could be provided.

Commissioner Moore said for the City Attorney to include the 51% for low to moderate housing, and 49% would be dictated by the market.

Vice Mayor Trantalis asked what low to moderate income is according to the HUD guidelines. Ms. Hayes said it includes incomes that are 80% and below. She said for a family of four it is about \$48,000.

Mr. Jones said sales price is an issue regarding affordability. The City's sales price is at \$145,000 and is not consistent with the market place due to construction costs increasing. The City should not set a policy that they only want affordable housing.

Commissioner Moore said he is not saying that, but he felt a better understanding is needed on his part. He asked if they are talking about rental units or units for sale.

Mr. Jones said the first building is concentrated for sale, and the next building would be dictated by the market. They are talking roughly about 400 units.

Commissioner Moore said they are talking about an additional 408 units on property billed as commercial. The developer is proposing the residential should be fair market value. He said the land was given to the developer. If a deal is to be marketed giving public property to a developer to build market housing, and the developer is not giving anything back to the City, then the project should be put out for bid.

Mayor Naugle said if a scenario is set up where this could not be built, then the developer should be told today that the project is going out for bid. He said further that Commissioner Moore is adding conditions one on top of the other. Commissioner Moore said he had always wanted this to go out for bid.

Mayor Naugle said the Commission should say they want affordability and to have the numbers show how it can work.

Commissioner Moore said he wanted the developer to understand so they could decide if they want to proceed.

The City Manager said the HUD requirements would be included in the Development Agreement.

Commissioner Moore asked if everything is being done appropriately so there will be no legal problems.

Commissioner Moore said he just received a report from Code staff that the Church's Chicken property is in deplorable condition.

Mr. Jones said he agreed and that is why they want something new and different.

Action: There was consensus there should not be any fast food, drive-thru type of business on CRA property. The development agreement will be presented at a future meeting, with HUD requirements.

Commissioner Moore wanted another review once the HUD requirement is determined.

II-A – Monthly Financial Report for December, 2004

Action: None taken.

III-B – Advisory Board and Committee Vacancies

Audit Advisory Board

Action: Deferred.

Aviation Advisory Board

Action: Deferred

Board of Adjustment

Action: Deferred.

Cemeteries Board of Trustees

Commissioner Moore appointed Albert MacWhite to the Cemeteries Board of Trustees.

Action: Formal Action to Be Taken at Regular Meeting.

Code Advisory Committee

Action: Deferred.

Code Enforcement Board

Vice Mayor Trantalis suggested Doug White as the consensus appointment to serve as an alternate on the Code Enforcement Board.

Action: Formal Action to Be Taken at Regular Meeting.

Community Appearance Board

Commissioner Teel appointed John Heuss to the Community Appearance Board.

Vice Mayor Trantalis appointed Greg Stuart to the Community Appearance Board.

Action: Formal Action to Be Taken at Regular Meeting.

Economic Development Advisory Board

Action: Deferred.

Education Advisory Board

Action: Deferred.

Hall of Fame Board of Directors

The City Commission decided that Vice Mayor Trantalis and City Manager George Gretsas would serve on the Swimming Hall of Fame Board of Directors.

Action: Formal Action to Be Taken at Regular Meeting.

Insurance Advisory Board

Commissioner Teel gave the name of Roger G. Bond for the consensus appointment to the Insurance Advisory Board.

Action: Formal Action to Be Taken at Regular Meeting.

Marine Advisory Board

Commissioner Hutchinson appointed Randolph Adams to the Marine Advisory Board.

Action: Formal Action to Be Taken at Regular Meeting.

Nuisance Abatement Advisory Board

Action: Deferred.

Parks, Recreation and Beaches Advisory Board

Action: Deferred.

Unsafe Structures and Housing Appeals Board

Action: Deferred

Utility Advisory Committee

Action: Deferred.

IV – City Commission Reports

Meeting Minutes & Agendas Website Update

Commissioner Hutchinson asked if an update could be provided regarding minutes and agendas being posted on the City website at a future meeting.

17th Street Project Update

Commissioner Hutchinson asked if the Department of Transportation could provide an update on the 17th Street project, along with attending her District meeting.

2006 State Neighborhood Conference

Commissioner Hutchinson said that in 2000, Fort Lauderdale and Broward County co-hosted the State Neighborhood Conference. Jacksonville has declined for 2006, and Fort Lauderdale is being asked again to host the event. She sent an e-mail, asking if the County is interested in co-hosting the event again in October. There is a funding commitment of \$25,000 of both the City and County. The City would seek sponsorships. There was consensus

Land Preservation Board

Commissioner Hutchinson distributed copies of the Land Preservation Board update.

Affordable Housing

Commissioner Hutchinson said that the City of Delray Beach passed an affordable housing ordinance in December, 2004, and she wanted this Commission to review it and schedule it for discussion. The matter will be discussed at her next pre-agenda meeting. She attended the second roundtable workshop regarding affordable housing and enjoyed Charlie Lyons' presentation.

Broward County Planning Council

Vice Mayor Trantalis said he was elected Vice Chair to the Broward County Planning Council, which places the City in a leadership mode. He felt they should take advantage of such a position. There will be an all-day retreat on Monday and flex units will be discussed. He wanted to go to the retreat with a firm understanding of this Commission's policy. He felt the City should take a more active role in the planning of the County's agenda.

Federal Courthouse

Vice Mayor Trantalis said Judge Dan Hurley met with him to impress upon him the significance and fear he has regarding relocation of the Federal Courthouse located in Fort Lauderdale. An article recently appeared in Sunday's Miami Herald regarding this matter. He said the matter is moving forward and Chief Judge is on a straight path to eliminate the Federal court system from Broward County. He said the only way it would change would be if there is community support directed towards Congress who would fund such changes.

The City Manager said he has met with Broward County and an update would be provided in the next week or two.

Mayor Naugle said the County Commission wants to meet with this Commission regarding their future plans.

The City Manager said Congressman Shaw has taken a strong position on this matter.

Vice Mayor Trantalis said Judge Hurley indicated there is not a clear majority regarding the matter. He further said that Congressman Shaw is a pivotal person in this matter.

The City Manager suggested a resolution be adopted. There was consensus to adopt such a resolution.

District III February Meeting

Commissioner Moore said that on the third Wednesday of February, District III's meeting will address crime. He invited everyone to attend. He said that all civic associations should be involved.

NEAT Program

Commissioner Moore said paint and plants were distributed and individuals supported the program.

Affordable Housing Roundtable Workshop

Commissioner Moore said they were fortunate to have Charlie Lyons attend the roundtable workshop. He commended Maxine Singh, Commission Coordinator, on putting together the project. He said the group unanimously supported city-wide attainable housing. The proposed ordinance does not provide for such housing. He thanked everyone for attending the workshop.

Joseph C. Carter Park

Commissioner Moore said the park is not yet completed, but the community is happy with the results thus far. He asked if the remaining components could be completed as quickly as possible.

Lincoln Park

Commissioner Moore said the public received information regarding the contaminants and reuse of the park. He said the concept is being well received.

One-Stop Shop

Commissioner Moore asked for an update on the One-Stop Shop to be provided at the next Conference meeting.

Mayor Naugle said consultants were hired for the project, and he felt new work should be suspended from being given to them until this issue is resolved.

The City Manager said a report is to be provided by the expert and would be presented to the Commission, and then he would see who was responsible for the work. The City needs to be careful so as not to jeopardize their position.

Swimming Hall of Fame Board of Directors

Betty Cavanaugh said she is involved with swimming and would like to serve on the Hall of Fame Board of Directors.

Commissioner Moore said he felt policy makers should be on the Board.

The City Attorney said the original agreement provides for the Mayor and City Manager to serve on the Board unless the City Commission designates otherwise.

Mayor Naugle felt it would make things difficult having two Commissioners serve on the Board. Commissioner Moore pointed out that the meetings would be posted.

Bob Dunkel, interim Director of the Hall of Fame, said a new CEO would be appointed within the next two weeks. He said it is not their intent to disregard the City in connection with making appointments to the Board. The person sitting on the Board for the last 1 ½ years was never approved by the Commission.

Mayor Naugle said the Vice Mayor will serve on the Board and further discussion would be held regarding who else would serve.

Commissioner Teel asked if the Director had any objections to having the meetings open to the public. Mr. Dunkel said he did not object and most meetings are open to the public.

Commissioner Hutchinson said she did not object to having two Commissioners serve on the Board, nor did she object to having the City Manager or someone from his office serve.

Vice Mayor Trantalis felt it would be helpful to have the City Manager serve on the Board.

Commissioner Moore said the City Manager's resources would be called upon by the Board, and therefore, he did not feel it appropriate to have the City Manager serve on the Board.

There was consensus to appoint Vice Mayor Trantalis and the City Manager or his designee.

V – City Manager Reports

None.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:30 p.m.