

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF NICEVILLE, FLORIDA
MARCH 13, 2007

The Niceville City Council met in regular session at 7:00 PM, March 13, 2007 in the Council Chambers, 208 N Partin Drive. All Council members, except for Councilman Brewer, and the Mayor were present. Also present were City Manager, Lannie Corbin; City Clerk Dan Doucet; Assistant City Attorney, Dixie Powell; City Planner, Wanda Cruttenden; Police Chief, Brian Cruttenden; Director of Public Works, Bruce Price; a member of the press and visitors in the audience. Mayor Wise led the pledge of allegiance and offered the prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting February 13, 2007
Special Council Meeting February 20, 2006

Councilman Swihart moved approval. Councilman Smith seconded. Council vote: Smith-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Planning Commission Meeting - February 5, 2007

Councilman Tislow moved approval. Councilman Swihart seconded. Council vote: Smith-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes.

Local Planning Agency Meeting B February 5, 2007

Councilman Swihart moved approval. Councilman Smith seconded. Council vote: Smith-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ordinance 07-03-01 - An ordinance for the rezoning of certain properties in the City of Niceville, Florida; from R-1, Residential Single Family, to C-2 General Commercial. A portion of property 01-1S-23-0000-0001-0000 containing approximately 13.56 Acres, Metes and bounds description. Property located on Hart Street. Ruckel Properties. (Third Reading)

Mr Doucet read ordinance 07-03-01 by title. Councilman Tislow moved approval on third reading. Councilman Smith seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Smith-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes.

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Ordinance 07-03-03- An ordinance adopting the proposed amendments to the Niceville Comprehensive Plan, Ordinance No. 90-10, and as amended by Ordinance No. 00-03-03, to update the provisions of future land use map No. 7-2 to include the following described property: Lots 1 to 6, Block 58, Valparaiso Pinecrest 2; located at 207 Madison Avenue; Parcel ID 05-1S-22-256B-0058-0010; containing 1.03 acres, more or less; providing for a medium density residential land use category; to repeal conflicting ordinances or provisions thereof; and providing for an effective date. (Third Reading)

Mr Doucet read ordinance 07-03-03 by title. Councilwoman Boudreaux moved approval on third reading. Councilman Smith seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Smith-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes.

Ordinance 07-03-04 - An ordinance adopting the proposed amendments to the Concurrency Management System in the City of Niceville Comprehensive Plan, providing for clear guidelines to evaluate the concurrency of roadways and other public facilities within the City's Concurrency Management System, and providing for a clear method whereby the impacts of development on roads can be mitigated by the cooperative efforts of the public and private sectors, to be known as the proportionate fair share program as required by and in a manner consistent with Chapter 163.3180(16), F.S.; repealing conflicting ordinances or provisions thereof; and providing for an effective date. (Third Reading)

Mr Doucet read ordinance 07-03-04 by title. Councilwoman Boudreaux moved approval on third reading. Councilman Smith seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Smith-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes.

Ordinance 07-04-01 – An ordinance to abandon and vacate all public streets within the Water Oaks Subdivision. Metes and bounds description. Streets known as Regatta Drive and Regatta Drive East. Exhibit A. Requested by the Water Oaks Regatta Homeowners Association Inc. (Second Reading)

Mr Doucet read ordinance 07-04-01 by title. Councilman Swihart moved approval on second reading. Councilman Smith seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Smith-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes.

Ordinance 07-05-01 - An ordinance for the rezoning of certain properties in the City of Niceville, Florida; from R-1, Residential Single Family, to R-2, One or Multiple Family. Metes and bounds description. Property located in Florida Heights Subdivision. Exhibit A. Estephan Daher and Guenter Kurz. (First Reading)

Mr Doucet read Ordinance 07-05-01 by title. Councilman Tislow moved approval on first reading. Councilwoman Boudreaux seconded. Ms Gail Wallace, 403 Cook Street expressed her opposition to multiple dwellings and traffic congestion. She advised that a pipeline was installed 2 years ago and felt that would prevent developing the property. Ms Margaret Mason, spoke on behalf of her grandmother who resides at 402 St Charles Street. She advised the neighborhood is quiet and secluded and mostly elderly people live there. She is against traffic congestion. Mr Bill Williams, 318 St Charles Street expressed his opposition to the rezoning citing concerns regarding congestion, sewer problems, and poor road conditions. He advised that there are several new homes in the area that haven't sold. He expressed concern since the property is located near the base flight pattern. Ms Sue Moorman, 410 Cook Street expressed her opposition to R2 zoning. She wants to maintain a quiet neighborhood and advised that single family homes are okay, however against townhomes. Mr Francis Lasch, 309 Cook Street supports leaving the zoning R-1. He expressed his concern for increased traffic. Discussion followed. Council vote: Smith-yes; Boudreaux-no; Swihart-no; Tislow-yes. Motion failed.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS/REQUESTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Water/Sewer/Drainage Projects - Update: Mr Price briefed the status of current projects.

Regional Sewer System - Update:

Mr Corbin advised that applications are being reviewed to replace the plant supervisor who resigned a few months ago.

LIBRARY – UPDATE

Ms Bishop, Library Director expressed her appreciation to the members of the Friends of the Library for their work in a recent book sale. She advised that the sale was very successful earning proceeds close to \$2,000. She advised that the friends group have published a new cookbook that can be purchased at the front desk of the library. She further stated that thru fund raising activities and donations there is enough funding available to remodel the entry way to the Library.

FIRE DEPARTMENT B UPDATE

Chief Mayville briefed the status of current projects.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – UPDATE

Chief Cruttenden briefed the status of current projects.

OTHER:

HEALTH INSURANCE – UPDATE

Mr Doucet advised as of October 1, 2006 the Health Insurance Fund Bank balance was approximately \$301,000 and the current balance is \$ 8,166 and in order to pay several on-going expensive claims it will be necessary to transfer, on a monthly basis, the required funding. Ms Wanda Cruttenden explained the City will be reimbursed a certain amount of funding thru re-insurance. Mr Doucet stated that if there is a need to exceed the budgeted amount of \$913,866 council approval will be requested at that time.

CHRISTMAS DISPLAY - DUNCAN DRIVE

Mr Corbin advised that he wrote a letter to discontinue the Christmas Display citing safety concerns. Discussion followed.

BILLS PAYABLE

Councilman Smith moved approval. Councilman Swihart seconded. Council Vote: Smith-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK