

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 260  
ORANGE TREE DRIVE ATLANTIS, FL. AUGUST 15, 2007, 7:30 PM

Mayor Manny Fernandez called the meeting to order at 7:30pm

Present: Mayor Manuel Fernandez; Vice Mayor Fred Furtado, Mayor Pro Tem David Cantley, Treasurer Michael Dahlgren, Councilmember Frank Austino, City Manager Mo Thornton, City Attorney Trela White, City Clerk Joan Cannata-Fox, Police Chief Robert Mangold and Utilities Director, Steve Mazuk.

Mayor Pro Tem David Cantley moved to approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held July 11, 2007 and the Special Council Meeting regarding setting the millage rate held on July 18, 2007. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Frank Austino. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney White read by title only Resolution No.07-21 – A Resolution Adopting Water and Sewer Rates, Fees and Charges. After discussion Mayor Pro Tem David Cantley made a motion to accept the Resolution with the additional charge of 3 cents on the sewer rate from \$2.68 to \$2.71, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Fred Furtado. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Pro Tem David Cantley made a motion for a Resolution to the SFWMD and Palm Beach County expressing the Council's concerns about potential county growth and the lack of water resources for the future. This motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Fred Furtado. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney White read by title only Resolution No. 07-22 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Waste Management for Hurricane Debris Removal. Mayor Pro Tem David Cantley made a motion to accept the Resolution, which was seconded by Councilmember Frank Austino. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney White read by title only Resolution No. 07-23 – A Resolution in Support of a FRDAP Grant Application for the Recirculation System for the Kintz Park Splash Pad. Councilmember Frank Austino made a motion to accept the Resolution, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Fred Furtado. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney White read by title only Resolution No. 07-24 – A Resolution in Support of a FRDAP Grant Application for Construction of a Heart Trail in the City's West Park. Mayor Pro Tem David Cantley made a motion to accept the Resolution, which was seconded by Councilmember Michael Dahlgren. Motion carried 5-0.

Miscellaneous Business: No comments

Mayor Fernandez asked for comments from the public.

William Mitchell of 261 N. Country Club Drive expressed concerns about the visible parking of undesirable vehicles.

Suzanne Lynch of 535 Forestview Drive expressed her concerns about the growth of the county and the lack of resources to accommodate such growth. She also voiced her concern about the condition of the roof at 501 N. Country Club Drive.

Ivan Goldberg of 244 Orange Tree Drive expressed his anger at the damage to his lawn by AT&T vehicles. The City Manager will followup with AT&T regarding this damage and other damage to the City.

Joy Decicco voiced her opinion on the tennis court usage; the condition of the rest rooms and water problems at the Military Trail courts.

City Manager Thornton stated that we had a sponsor for the upcoming Bike-A-Thon, Ranger Construction for \$2500. The Mayor stated that the General Manager of Costco is interested in being a sponsor – possibly for food. We are working on obtaining bids for the JFK Drive and the overlay projects. The Security and Auditing Services are also out to bid.

Councilmember Michael Dahlgren expressed his condolences to the family of James Holyfield, principal of Holyfield & Thomas, the City’s audit firm and long time resident.

Police Chief Mangold reported on the crimes for the month. He advised Council that the Police Department was in the process of performing a security assessment at the request of JFK Hospital. The Department just finished the “Stop Running Red Lights” campaign and will be beginning the DUI enforcement campaign which will run through Labor Day weekend.

City Attorney Trela White brought Council up to date on the property tax lawsuit instituted by the Mayor of Westin. The Supreme Court declined to take this matter directly, so it was brought to the Circuit Court. A Summary Judgment should be coming within the next week and Council will be advised of the outcome.

Councilmember Frank Austino – asked about the City generators, the Shoppes of Atlantis Lighting (which is on the Code Enforcement Agenda for August 16, 2007) and the other violations at the Shoppes. Vice Mayor Fred Furtado explained the Grant process to the public with regard to the Splash Pad, etc. He inquired of the Police Chief about new officers attending fire training. The Chief advised that three were scheduled to take the training and one officer will start EMT training in September. Mayor Pro Tem David Cantley thanked the public for attending and their comments. He will be the City’s delegate to attend the Florida League of Cities conference in Orlando this weekend. He spoke with Warren Newell’s Senior Aid regarding the JFK widening and the drainage project for North Country Club Road and Walton Heath Drive. He was advised that these requests will be honored. Councilmember Michael Dahlgren stated that the budget balance sheet looks good; expenditures and income are about equal; utilities still look good. Mayor Manny Fernandez stated that he appreciated the participation of residents in Council meeting. He advised the public that their concerns could be addressed sooner by calling City Hall and not waiting for the next Council meeting. He inquired of the Chief as to whether the agreement with JFK had been obtained whereby Atlantis officers can remove anyone from the premises that they consider a potential danger. The Mayor reported on the recent AAAB meeting that he attended regarding Airport Noise.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM

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City Clerk

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Mayor Manny Fernandez

Note: A mechanical recording has been made of the foregoing procedures of which these minutes are a part, and is on files in the office of the City Clerk.

