

CITY COMMISSION  
CITY OF WILDWOOD, FLORIDA  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
JUNE 7, 2010 – 5:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBER

The City Commission of the City of Wildwood met in Special session June 7, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Chamber.

Present: Mayor Wolf; Commissioners Bivins, Clark, Allen and Strickland. Also present: City Manager Smith, City Clerk Jacobs, Assistant City Clerk Roberts, City Attorney Blair, Police Chief Reeser, AVT Law. Public Works Director Kornegay, Development Services Director Peavy. County Administrator Bradley Arnold.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Wolf, with Commissioner Allen giving the invocation and audience joining in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

3. NEW BUSINESS – ACTION REQUIRED

g. GENERAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- i. Discussion regarding the consolidation of Building Services (Attachments – Board Option)

City Manager Smith gave a power point presentation (hard copy on file), which included - proposed budget information for 2010-2011; Consolidation proposal and strategy with Don Dixon being employed by the County and Tracy Cuba being transferred to the Police Department as the support staff for Code Enforcement; reduction in permit fees for the residents and developers. It was noted that permit fees generated in the Wildwood Building Services Department must be used for direct costs and reasonable indirect costs associated with review of building plans, building inspections, re-inspections, building permit processing, building code enforcement, and fire inspections associated with new construction. The County would agree to pay annual fee not to exceed \$60,000 for administration and coordination associated with Building Services. This fee would cover the CRW system software. This fee amount would increase each year after five years by the CPI. If Building Services consolidated, the County would reimburse to the City \$100,000 annually for dispatch services. There would be no loss of jobs, no loss of level of service, City would receive Building Services Administration costs annually, permit fees would be reduced, and City would receive annual cost reimbursement for dispatch services.

In response to questions from the Commission - County Administrator Bradley Arnold indicated that the City would have to formally adopt the County fee structure; the County does use contract inspectors for developments because of the fast pace and uses in-house inspectors for pools, screened areas, renovations, updates. Other cities in Sumter have consolidated services with the County, but have a different permit fee structure – 1% of construction costs. This is intended to be a 20-year agreement. Doesn't believe the County Commission would want this agreement outside the JPA.

Commissioner Strickland indicated he would like to see a budget breakdown for Building services.

Motion by Commissioner Bivins, second by Commissioner Allen to proceed to consolidate Building Services with the County. Motion Carried. Yea – Allen, Bivins, Clark, Wolf. Nay – Strickland.

- ii. Discussion regarding the privatization of Refuse Services (Attachments – Board Option)

City Manager Smith gave a power point presentation (copy on file), which included Refuse services history of Revenue and Expenditures from 2005 to present; proposed budget for FY2010-11; amount of savings that could have been realized if privatization had been done in 2005; comparison of Commercial rates with other cities, with Wildwood's being the lowest; General Insurance savings; Waste Management Proposal. Proposal includes – rates to be kept as they are now (increases subject to contract terms); implementation of curb side recycling without increase to rates; WM to purchase all assets associated with the City's refuse; WM to continue same level of service. WM to employ the two City refuse employees. Pay rate would be higher than City rate. It was noted that WM is not part of FRS but has a 401K program. WM will purchase certain of the City vehicles and equipment.

In response to question from Commission, PWD Kornegay indicated he is not in favor of privatization of refuse, noting that there is great potential for revenue with the growth of the City and that once you get out of refuse it would be hard to get back in because of start up costs.

Dan McGinnis and Doug McCoy of Waste Management were present for questions. Doug McCoy noted that some cities that have gone private with them place the annual fees aside for a period of time in the event the city wants to repurchase the equipment and end the contract with WM. One advantage WM has is that they have backup equipment. Regarding WM billing vs. City billing – 13 cities they have contracts with do the residential billing. Some do the commercial billing. Commissioner Allen questioned how the City would be able to confirm the amount being paid to the City if WM did the billing.

CC Jacobs it would be the same as Progress Energy or SECO utility payments to the City. Noted that Deniese Woods has surveyed some of the cities, and some of those surveyed have reported they started out doing the billing, but then turned it over to WM.

Motion by Commissioner Allen, second by Commissioner Bivins to proceed with privatization of refuse. Motion carried four to one. Yea – Allen, Bivins, Clark, Wolf. Nay – Strickland.

Motion by Commissioner Strickland, second by Commissioner Allen that City staff does the billing. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- iii. Discussion regarding seasonal tent sales in the City of Wildwood (Attachments – Board Option)

DSD Peavy – concerned that Ordinance No. 476 relating to temporary/tent sales can be interpreted several ways. Asked for clarification of Commission intent/desire. Noted that due to different interpretations there is a permit for fire works sales on the Sumter Crossing property currently on hold. Need direction for this permit and if the Commission desires she can bring back an ordinance for clarification to review later.

Dan Honeywell of Galaxy Fireworks noted that he has already gone to some expense – lease and cost of product already ordered and if the permit is not approved it will cause a hardship.

Commissioner Strickland indicated that his interpretation is that there are locations in the City where these type sales can take place.

Motion by Commissioner Allen, second by Commissioner Bivins to give hardship exemption to Dan Honeywell for temporary tent sale. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

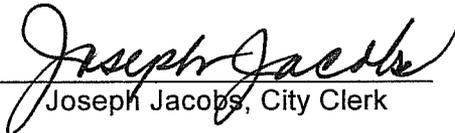
4. ADJOURN

Upon a motion by Commissioner Allen, second by Commissioner Bivins the meeting was adjourned.

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Joseph Jacobs, City Clerk

  
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Ed Wolf, Mayor