

Minutes of City Council Briefing
Monday, December 4, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.
City Council Chambers Conference Room, 1st Floor
11 North 3rd Street, Jacksonville Beach, FL

The Council Briefing began at 6:00 P.M.

The following City Council Members were in attendance:

Mayor William C. Latham

Lee Buck

Keith Doherty

Christine Hoffman (*absent*)

Bruce Thomason

Jeanell Wilson

Phil Vogelsang

Also present were City Manager George Forbes, Deputy City Manager Trish Roberts and Director of Planning and Development Bill Mann.

Purpose of Briefing

The purpose of the briefing was to update the Council Members on projects including, but not limited to, an update on the Johnson Gallery property.

City Manager

Mr. Forbes informed the Council of topics for upcoming briefing meetings would include:

- Dr. Kevin Bodge would discuss shore protection.
- A representative of Jacksonville Housing Authority to discuss future improvements to the existing public housing in Jacksonville Beach.

Johnson Gallery property

Mr. Steve Diebenow, the representative for former Johnson Gallery property, presented illustrations [on file] of the possible design for the upcoming and remodeled property. Mr. Diebenow explained the plan would include two restaurants in the former gallery building and one restaurant in the building on 1st Street. Mr. Diebenow stated parking is going to be an issue, but they are putting together an unsolicited offer to the Community Redevelopment Agency to utilize space and property that is owned by the CRA.

Small Wireless Facilities updates

Bill Mann, Director of Planning and Development, stated the Land Development Code communications regulations had not been updated since 2004. It was suggested by Mr. Mann to make the following amendments to the Code in response to recently passed legislation:

- Provide definitions of the following: Personal Wireless Services, Personal Wireless Facility, and Personal Wireless Provider
- Add a new Section 34-409 regarding the application process
- Add a new Section 34-410 regarding the development standards for Personal Wireless Facilities

Also, Mr. Mann stated a three-tier priority hierarchy would establish the most suitable location of the small wireless facilities be located:

- On or in an existing building
- On an existing free-standing facility
- On a public right-a-way

Medical Marijuana

Mr. Forbes stated the Planning and Development Department is working towards adopting an Ordinance that could allow medical marijuana treatment dispensaries to operate in specific areas.

Mr. Mann reviewed the possible options for this Ordinance:

- Prohibit medical marijuana dispensaries
- Allow medical marijuana dispensaries to be a permitted use in a C-2 district and as a conditional use in C-1 and CBD districts
- Differentiate between two types of pharmacies; one as stand-alone pharmacies which would be allowed in the C-2 district, and the other as pharmacies in conjunction with retail stores which are allowed in all other commercial districts

Dix.Hite+Partners

Mr. Mann stated Dix.Hite+Partners would be working on redesigning the original plan for the proposed pier entryway as well as redesigning the Relax in Jax logo.

Mr. Mann stated Dix.Hite+Partners had previously provided engineering cost estimates for the various recommended plan elements. In January 2018, Dix.Hite+Partners would begin working on a contract for implementation of work on the following elements:

- Pier entryway
- Site furnishings
- Bike parking master plan
- Lighting plan
- Wayfinding and signage plan
- Art master plan

The briefing adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

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Approved:



William C. Latham, MAYOR

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