

**Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting  
Held Monday, May 16, 2005 at 7:00 P.M.  
In the Council Chambers, 11 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street,  
Jacksonville Beach, Florida.**



**Call to Order**

Mayor Fland Sharp called the meeting to order.

**Opening Ceremony**

Invocation by Council member Buck; Salute to the Flag.

**Roll Call**

Mayor: Fland Sharp

Council members: Lee Buck Penny Christian Rick Knight  
Dick Matthews Martha Ann Sibley Linda Spence

Also present were City Manager George Forbes, City Attorney Stephen Stratford and City Clerk Heidi Reagan.

**Approval of Minutes**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence, seconded by Ms. Sibley, and passed, to approve the minutes of the following meetings, as presented:

Special Meeting held April 25, 2005  
Regular Meeting held May 2, 2005

**Communications**

None

**Courtesy of Floor to Visitors**

Carl Smith, 551 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., S – Suggested eliminating parking on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street between Beach Blvd and Butler Blvd, and use the parking lanes to increase the number of travel lanes.

Mayor Sharp stated that the Department of Transportation has already ruled that this is not feasible as the amount of space in the parking lanes is not sufficient to create travel lanes on A1A.

Lance Folsom, 1022 N. 23<sup>rd</sup> St. – Voiced concern that the Marsh Landing/South Beach Pkwy. road improvements be completed before the Valencia Condominium project is completed.

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**Mayor “a”**

**Presentation to Employees of the Quarter – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2005**

Mayor Sharp read and presented Employees of the Quarter Awards to Rennee Johnson of the Finance Department and Eugene Wellington of Public Works.

**City Manager “a”**

**Presentation by the First Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization (FCMPO) Concerning the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Fiscal Years 1005/2006 through 2009/2010**

Ms. Wanda Forest from the First Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization presented the Transportation Improvement Program for the Beaches and vicinity for fiscal years 2005/2006 through 2009/2010.

Discussion: Mr. Forbes asked if the construction of the new intra-coastal waterway bridge listed on page 3 of the proposal includes the widening of Beach Blvd to Penman Road. Ms. Forest responded that she would have to check on that. Mr. Forbes requested that she let him know.

Mr. Knight expressed concern that the project listed on page 6 for the traffic signal update on A1A between 9<sup>th</sup> Ave., N and Marsh Landing Parkway is scheduled too far in the future, as it's not scheduled until fiscal year 2008/2009. He stated that this is already a major problem and he has received numerous complaints from citizens on this issue.

Ms. Forest explained that this is a Department of Transportation (DOT) project and they set the schedule.

Mr. Buck indicated that he also gets a lot of feedback about the lights on A1A and stated his concern that this project is not scheduled sooner.

Mr. Lindorff clarified that this project is to replace the signals with the mast-arm type of signals – it's a hurricane related project not a traffic congestion management project. He went on to explain that the concerns expressed by council members Knight and Buck, he believes are regarding the twin lights in front of Pablo Plaza at 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenues and the addition of a light at Osceola Street. Mr. Lindorff stated that this is a separate project. He indicated that they are working toward holding a public meeting on this proposal in June. After the public meeting, the city will work with the DOT to obtain funding for the engineering and design of the project. He explained that at this time, this is still an unfunded project.

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**City Manager “b”  
Monthly Financial Reports for April 2005**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence, seconded by Ms. Sibley, and passed, to accept the financial reports for April 2005.

**City Manager “c”  
Request to Purchase Additional Imaging Software Licenses and Fund Temporary Help for Imaging**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence, seconded by Ms. Sibley, to approve the purchase of 10 imaging software licenses and the funding of temporary workers as outlined in a memo from Heidi Reagan, dated May 5, 2005, and titled “Request to purchase additional software imaging licenses and fund temporary help for imaging.

Discussion: Mr. Forbes stated that in last year’s budget, the council approved this imaging program. He went on to state that during last year’s hurricanes it became obvious that we have a serious records storage problem. He explained that we’re bound by state law to keep records for extended periods. This request will allow the city to image more of their records and get rid of the back log of records already in existence before the imaging system was approved.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Buck, Christian, Knight, Matthews, Sibley, Spence and Mayor Sharp.

Motion carried unanimously.

**City Manager “d”  
Request for Design Approval for the Beach Stormwater Outfalls Extension Project**

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Spence, seconded by Ms. Sibley, to approve the design of the Beach Stormwater Outfalls Extension Project with *Applied Technology and Management*.

Discussion: Mr. Forbes explained that this project is designed to protect the dunes while providing stormwater outfall by running a pipe underneath the dunes. This project is to provide the engineering design for the outfalls as required by DEP before any construction can begin.

Ms. Sibley asked if this project would interfere at all with beach re-nourishment this summer.

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Mr. Forbes indicated that this would not be a problem and advised that in conjunction beach re-nourishment, we will look at working with the contractor to restore some of the dunes that were damaged during the hurricanes. Mr. Forbes stated that these projects need to be completed before the turtle season begins, if we're going to do them this year.

Ms. Christian invited the citizens to go to 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue to see how the outfall project works. She explained that since they have put the stormwater outfall in at 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue the flooding at that location has stopped.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Christian, Knight, Matthews, Sibley, Spence, Buck, and Mayor Sharp.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business coming before the Council, Mayor Sharp adjourned the meeting at 7:28 P.M.

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Heidi Reagan, CITY CLERK

Council Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_