

**ORMOND BEACH CITY COMMISSION MEETING
HELD AT CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

July 12, 2005 7:00 p.m.

Present were: Mayor Fred Costello, Commissioners Jeff Boyle, Troy Kent, Ed Kelley, and Bill Partington, City Manager Isaac Turner, Assistant City Manager Theodore MacLeod, City Attorney Randy Hayes, and City Clerk Veronica Patterson.

A G E N D A

- 1) Meeting call to order by Mayor Costello.
- 2) Invocation.
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4) Approval of the Minutes of the July 27, 2005, special meeting and the July 28, 2005, regular meeting.
- 5) **PRESENTATIONS:**
 - A) Employee-of-the-Quarter award to Bob Turi, Public Works Department.
 - B) Presentation of Florida Economic Development Council Award for Outstanding Economic Development Promotional Materials.
- 6) **AUDIENCE REMARKS:**
- 7) **INTERGOVERNMENTAL BOARD REPORTS:**
 - A) Metropolitan Planning Organization
 - B) Volusia Council of Governments
 - C) Smart Growth Implementation Committee
 - D) Water Authority of Volusia
- 8) **CONSENT AGENDA:** The action proposed is stated for each item on the Consent Agenda. Unless a City Commissioner removes an item from the Consent Agenda, no discussion on individual items will occur and a single motion will approve all items.
 - A) Resolution no. 2005-138 authorizing the submittal of a grant application to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services under the 2005 Emergency Hurricane Supplemental Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program for funding assistance relative to re-staking of trees on medians along US1 from Wilmette Avenue to Hull Road. (\$18,900 total project; \$14,175 grant funds; \$4,725 local funds)
 - B) Resolution No. 2005-139 authorizing the execution of an Alternative Water Supply Cost Sharing Agreement between the City of Ormond Beach and the St. Johns River Water Management District regarding the rehabilitation of an existing pipeline located between the Water Treatment Plant and the Wastewater Plant. (\$75,000 in funding assistance)
 - C) Resolution No. 2005-140 accepting the proposal of Florida Health Care Plans regarding health insurance services; authorizing the execution of a contract and payment therefor.

- D) Resolution No. 2005-141 acknowledging KMC Telecom II, Inc.'s transfer of assets to TelCove Investment, LLC; accepting the registration of TelCove Investment, LLC, to provide telecommunications service within the City of Ormond Beach.
- E) Resolution No. 2005-142 appointing Adrian Thompson as a member to serve on the Budget Advisory Board; setting forth term and conditions of service.
- F) Resolution No. 2005-143 accepting the bid of McMahan Construction Co., Inc., for Lift Stations 1P, 5P and BT1 Rehabilitation and Improvements, under Bid No. 2004-19; rejecting all other bids; authorizing the execution of a contract between the City and McMahan Construction Co., Inc., and payment thereunder. (Not-to-exceed \$538,000)

9) **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- A) Resolution No. 2005-134 approving and authorizing the removal of an historic tree on a City right-of-way located at 15 Cypress Park Court in the Ormond Lakes Subdivision. (Tabled from 6/28/05 meeting.)
- B) Ordinance No. 2005-19 amending Section 15-6, Recreation Activities, of Article I, Operation of City Parks and Recreation and Cultural Areas and Facilities, of Chapter 15, Parks and Recreation, of the Code of Ordinances regarding the operation of personal watercraft. (Second Reading)

10) **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- A) A1A redevelopment and beach issues.
- B) Exemption from the Uniform Municipal Election Act/Charter amendments.
- C) Commissioner Boyle to discuss election regulations.
- D) Policy on notification of sexual offenders.

11) **REPORTS, SUGGESTIONS, REQUESTS:** Mayor, City Commission, City Manager, City Attorney.

12) Close the meeting.

Item #1 - Call to Order

Mayor Costello called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item #2 – Invocation

Mayor Costello gave the invocation.

Item #3 - Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Costello led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #4 – Approval of Minutes

Mayor Costello advised the minutes of the June 27, 2005, special meeting and the June 28, 2005, regular meeting have been sent to the Commissioners for review and asked if there were any corrections, additions, or omissions.

Mayor Costello asked if there was any objection to approving the minutes as submitted. Hearing none, he declared the minutes approved as submitted.

Item #5(A) – Employee-of-the-Quarter Award

Mr. Isaac Turner, City Manager, announced that Mr. Bob Turi was selected as the Employee-of-the-Quarter. He stated Mr. Turi started in December 1998 as a Maintenance Worker I and was currently a Maintenance Worker IV and section leader for the concrete and asphalt section. Mr. Turner reported Mr. Turi places a high emphasis on customer service.

Mayor Costello congratulated Mr. Turi and presented him with two plaques to be placed on display at City Hall honoring him as the Employee-of-the-Quarter, along with a watch with the City seal on its face.

Item #5(B) – Award for Outstanding Economic Development Promotional Materials

Mr. Joe Mannarino, Economic Development Director, presented the Commission with the Outstanding Promotional Materials award the City received from the Florida Economic Development Council (FEDC.) He reported this was the second consecutive year the City has received this award. Mr. Mannarino noted the award was for the resource guide entitled “Doing Business in Ormond Beach,” which was a cooperative effort between the City and the Chamber of Commerce. He commended the design team made up of Administrative Assistant Kay Kocher, and Rick Fraser and Peggy Farmer of the Ormond Beach Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Mannarino reported this guide was simple, but included comprehensive information to help people find the resources needed to start a business. He stated the guide did not cost the taxpayers as area banks paid it for.

Ms. Lorry Garafolo, Chamber of Commerce president, thanked Mr. Mannarino for his vision for this booklet. She recognized Rick Fraser, Peggy Farmer, Dwight Selby, and members of numerous area banks for funding. Ms. Garafolo stated copies of the guide were available in the back of the Commission chambers.

Item #6 – Audience Remarks

Police Department Issues

Mayor Costello stated a special meeting relative to police department issues was recently held. He advised he asked a retired Daytona Beach police chief if he knew of anyone who specialized in doing special investigations and he recommended Chief William Liquori, who was an assistant chief in Orlando and chief in Altamont Springs. Mayor Costello noted the past two investigations Chief Liquori conducted in DeLand and Cocoa Beach resulted in a recommendation to the City Manager that the chief be fired; therefore, this could certainly not be considered a “whitewash.”

Mayor Costello stated while he would not state people could not speak on this issue, he would request that anything residents wanted investigated be put in writing, people who should be interviewed identified, and any comments be made to provide the information to the appropriate people in that the Commission would not be making this decision. He urged the residents not to speak on anything that had already been brought up.

Mr. Isaac Turner, City Manager, reported he would have a presentation ready for the Commission on July 19. He noted he spoke briefly to Mr. Liquori today, and he indicated he would forward his résumé. Mr. Turner stated he also spoke to the DeLand City Manager who would share the report Mr. Liquori presented. He noted he would also speak to officials at Cocoa Beach as the week progressed.

Ms. Patty Barker, 1105 Overbrook Drive, stated that in May, Mike Lowe was found guilty of a violation of Ormond Beach Police Department policy without his input, proper notification of the charges against him, and the right to a fair and impartial hearing. She reported she exercised her constitutional right to address her elected officials at the June 28 City Commission meeting, and three days later Police Chief Larry Mathieson, without the authorization of Mr. Turner, maliciously contacted her husband’s employer and sought to have her silenced. Ms. Barker stated she and her husband met with Mr. Turner, and he agreed Chief Mathieson’s actions were wrong and not indicative of how members of his administration conduct themselves. She reported she received a letter from Mr. Turner reiterating the fact Chief Mathieson’s actions were unacceptable, and he issued a personal apology. Ms. Barker explained that while Chief Mathieson issued a personal apology to two local radio talk show hosts, he did not apologize to her. She stated Chief Mathieson has attempted to affect the outcome of a public issue by intimidating and silencing a private citizen.

Mr. Turner stated he concurred sending this e-mail was inappropriate, and he had expressed that conclusion to the Barkers and Chief Mathieson. He reported that during the meeting with the Barkers, he understood that they did not want Chief Mathieson to contact them. Mr. Turner stated Chief Mathieson did prepare a letter of apology on the same day that he discussed the matter with him, but he did not receive authorization to send the letter due to his belief the Barkers did not want Chief Mathieson to contact them.

Mr. Mike Lowe, 407 Cherrywood Drive, expressed dissatisfaction with Chief Mathieson’s management of the Police Department. He noted he was outraged that Chief Mathieson would

use his position to attack his friend by contacting his employer and asked the Commission to instruct Mr. Turner to hold Chief Mathieson responsible for these actions.

Budget

Mr. Gregory Avakian, 161 Heritage Circle, displayed a chart regarding the health of the economy.

Mayor Costello explained the chart indicated debt in 1930 was 270% and was now 299%.

Airport Issues

Mr. Glenn Jaspers, 160 Ocean Terrace, stated a rush to judgment was recently made regarding a grant of over \$1 million for the airport when the Commission was informed it had to be approved the night it was presented or it would be lost, and he likened it to a past project regarding a blimp company. He reported he was disheartened that nothing had changed in the past five years. Mr. Jaspers stated the City deserved a comprehensive build-out plan for the airport and the business park, not merely a development mentality of how many lots were sold in a year. He stated he was waiting for a tax decrease, fiscal responsibility, and citizen backlash to descend on this Commission.

Speaking to the Commission

Ms. Lucile Bornmann, 6 Windsor Drive, complained about the Commission rules regarding when citizens are allowed to speak during meetings. Ms. Bornmann explained there was a very important item tonight dealing with A1A development, and she pointed out there were developers and attorneys present who planned to speak. She stated she reserved the right for herself and anyone else to speak as long as the attorneys and developers were permitted to speak.

Mayor Costello stated he had never limited anyone to five minutes during discussion items. He pointed out that the Commission, not himself, made the decisions as to when the public could speak.

Election Ethics

Ms. Pat Behnke, 15 Malayan Sun Bear Path, asked that candidates for the upcoming elections focus on what would make each candidate the best, most capable person for the job rather than putting others down. She challenged each candidate to run a clean campaign, and she challenged the voters of Ormond Beach to only vote for candidates who run clean campaigns and could do the job.

Fluoride in the Drinking Water

Mr. Jim Schultz, 117 Harbor Drive, stated over two months ago he submitted a request for a moratorium on the addition of fluoride in the drinking water, but he has not received a response to date. He noted he has met with individuals, but the health and safety issues had not been addressed.

Mr. Ted MacLeod, Assistant City Manager, stated a letter would be provided to Mr. Schultz within the next few days.

Mayor Costello noted he previously offered to speak to Mr. Schultz and read any scientific studies he would like to provide, but he was not contacted by Mr. Schultz to date. He reported the offer still remained.

Public Input

Mr. Glenn Wren, 27 South St. Andrews, stated the perception in the community was that the Commission did not want to hear from the public or care what the public thought. He explained that he read in the newspaper that a senior management official has told employees of his department not to talk to the media, and he noted that one Commission member had chastised another Commission member for talking to the media. He noted the public would not believe any investigation was any better than the last unless it led to something.

Mayor Costello stated all are invited and welcome to speak to the Commission. He noted the City only asked that public employees not make statements that sounded as if they were giving the City position, and that they make it clear in their statements the positions taken were their own personal position. Mayor Costello reported should anyone attempt to stop this, the City Manager or Commission would intervene. He explained he spoke to a fellow Commission member about espousing things that were potentially adversarial to the City position through the media. Mayor Costello stated regarding speaking at Commission meetings, he was attempting to guide a meeting to gain the best result from that meeting, which was why the Commission

was allowing the public to speak when an item was being discussed rather than during audience remarks portion if the item was on the printed agenda.

Ormond Beach 2020

Mr. Brian Daly, 156 Magnolia Drive, representing Citizens for Ormond Beach (CFOB), reminded the public of the Ormond Beach 2020 vision sessions that would address the question: "What will Ormond Beach look like 15 years from now." He stated these sessions would be held at 6:30 p.m. with light refreshments and exhibit material in the atrium and then proceed on to the City Commission chambers from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for a panel discussion and audience questions. Mr. Daly reported tomorrow night A1A and beachside would be addressed; July 20 Ormond Crossings would be addressed; and July 27 the downtown and mainland would be addressed. He invited all citizens to attend to ask questions.

Mayor Costello recognized the CFOB for these valuable visioning series.

Item #7(A) – Metropolitan Planning Organization

Mayor Costello reported the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) eliminated the possibility that Clyde Morris Boulevard and International Speedway Boulevard would have overpasses as there would be difficult access to Mainland High School, Daytona Beach Community College, and the Halifax Hospital. He noted a new methodology of obtaining dollars for transportation items to go through a quicker process when there was a local match was discussed. Mayor Costello stated he was hopeful this would benefit the US1/I-95 Interchange.

Item #7(B) – Volusia Council of Governments

Mayor Costello reported he missed the last meeting of the Volusia Council of Governments (VCOG) because he was attending a Special City Commission meeting, but the Commission has received the reports. He asked Mr. Turner to provide public access to the MPO, VCOG, Smart Growth Implementation Committee, and WAV summary reports through the City's website.

Item #7(C) – Smart Growth Implementation Committee

Mayor Costello reported the Smart Growth Implementation Committee would meet on July 14 and on July 25 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Daytona Beach Community College. He stated he was hopeful there would be recommendations for the Volusia County Charter.

Item #7(D) Water Authority of Volusia

Commissioner Boyle provided copies of materials relative to the funding decisions the Water Authority of Volusia (WAV) was working on from WAV's Executive Director Dr. Bruce Mowry. He pointed out Ms. Veronica Patterson, City Clerk, had copies for members of the public.

Item #8 - Consent Agenda

Mayor Costello advised that the action proposed for each item on the Consent Agenda was so stated on the agenda. He asked if any member of the Commission had questions or wished to discuss any one or more of the items separately.

Mayor Costello reported Item No. 8(E) was withdrawn.

Commissioner Kelley moved, seconded by Commissioner Partington, for approval of the Consent Agenda, minus Item No. 8(E).

Call Vote:	Commissioner Boyle	yes
	Commissioner Kent	yes
	Commissioner Kelley	yes
	Commissioner Partington	yes
Carried.	Mayor Costello	yes

Item #9(A) – Removal of Historic Tree located at 15 Cypress Park Court

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-134

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE REMOVAL OF AN HISTORIC TREE ON A CITY RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED AT 15 CYPRESS PARK IN THE ORMOND LAKES SUBDIVISION; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Kent moved, seconded by Commissioner Kelley, to approve Resolution No. 2005-134, as read by title only.

Mr. John Rogers, 15 Cypress Park Court, requested notification as to when the tree was to be removed. Mr. Rogers questioned should there be any damage to his driveway, if the City would be responsible for the damage. He asked if there was any plan to replace the tree.

Ms. Joanne Naumann, Neighborhood Improvement Manager, assured Mr. Rogers that the City would mitigate for the tree being removed and would come to a reasonable solution as to what would be planted. She reported that should the City cause any damage to Mr. Rogers' property, the City would provide restitution for any damage, but she was hopeful this would not occur. Ms. Naumann noted Mr. Rogers has a light shining on the tree and asked if he or the City would disconnect the light.

Mayor Costello suggested the City work with Mr. Rogers regarding the light, and if Mr. Rogers wanted a different tree than what the City would provide, to offer him the opportunity to pay the difference and to have what he would prefer planted.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Kent	yes
	Commissioner Kelley	yes
	Commissioner Partington	yes
	Commissioner Boyle	yes
Carried.	Mayor Costello	yes

Hearing no objection, Mayor Costello closed the public hearing on Item #9(A).

Item #9(B) - Operation of Personal Watercraft

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-19
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 15-6, RECREATION ACTIVITIES, OF ARTICLE I, OPERATION OF CITY PARKS AND RECREATION AND CULTURAL AREAS AND FACILITIES, OF CHAPTER 15, PARKS AND RECREATION, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING THE OPERATION OF PERSONAL WATERCRAFT; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Partington moved, seconded by Commissioner Kent, to approve Ordinance No. 2005-19, on second reading, as read by title only.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Kelley	yes
	Commissioner Partington	yes
	Commissioner Boyle	yes
	Commissioner Kent	yes
Carried.	Mayor Costello	yes

Hearing no objection, Mayor Costello closed the public hearing on Item #9(B).

Item #10(A) – A1A Redevelopment and Beach Issues

Mr. Clay Ervin, Planning Director, pointed out that he listed four A1A properties where the City has had specific conceptual plans identified to staff or submitted to Volusia County for review for redevelopment. He stated staff has identified to the developers those concerns the Commission had identified, and five primary issues were outlined in the report. Mr. Ervin stated staff's primary goal was to maintain the City's Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Code to redevelop the properties along the beachside, keeping the beachside vibrant and maintaining a viable beachfront community. He noted one project was currently in the process and would be presenting to the Planning Board in the next several months relative to the redevelopment of the Makai Hotel, and other properties were considering similar projects. Mr. Ervin noted staff was trying to maintain the balance and need for redevelopment in the area.

Mr. Bob Behnke, 15 Malayan Sun Bear Path, stated an attempt was being made to coerce the City Commission to granting the right to build buildings to any height by providing a park, a 1,000 car parking garage, and a walkover. He reported if the Commission would not allow lifting the height restrictions, the Commission would then be accused of depriving the City of a great park, parking garage, and walkover, but if the Commission does permit building to any height the developer may choose, a precedent would be set for future building requests. Mr. Behnke

questioned how often there was a need for a 1,000 car parking garage, and he expressed doubt that people would want to park and carry beach gear across a walkover. He cautioned against the canyon shadow of tall buildings and noted that thin and tall buildings are not aesthetically pleasing, especially mixed with buildings meeting the current height limits. Mr. Behnke stated that once condominiums were built, the beach in front of the condominium would become the condominium owner's beach. He pointed out that condominium owners do not eat out as frequently as tourists, causing an impact on restaurant jobs and forcing local restaurants to close due to lack of business. Mr. Behnke stated gas sales would be impacted due to the loss of the tourist trade; current hotel workers would be displaced; taller buildings would require fire trucks with longer ladders; more manpower would be needed in fire and police services; there may be a need for a new fire station and police substation on the beachside; and additional beach patrol may be needed. He questioned if additional City personnel would be required to police the park grounds and parking lot area, and be required to clean the restrooms. Mr. Behnke stated progress and growth was inevitable and Ormond Crossings would contribute to this, but increasing the height limit was not in Ormond Beach's best interests. He reported condominiums would bring in more real estate taxes, but he questioned if money was the most important consideration. Mr. Behnke urged the Commission to give the people the opportunity to vote if they want a new park, parking lot, and walkover in exchange for changing building height restrictions.

Mr. Rob Merrill, Cobb & Cole, 150 Magnolia Avenue, representing several people with interests on the beach, advised this was a favorable time to redevelop the beach. While he was not asking for Commission approval or denial of the project at this time, he offered to show photographs to provide a better understanding of the only project currently in the process, the Makai Hotel. Mr. Merrill stated this project would be totally compliant with the parameters set out in the Land Development Code regarding Planned Business Developments (PBD) and reflected many of the concepts that the Commission has deemed important, such as access to the beach for the public, off-beach parking, superior architecture, and enhanced vistas.

Mr. Randall Hayes, City Attorney, advised displaying photographs was outside the public hearing process and asked that the general concept only be discussed.

Commissioner Kelley pointed out that Mr. Behnke spoke of a specific project, and he and Commissioner Partington stated the Commission did not have the information provided by Mr. Behnke regarding the specific project.

Commissioner Kent advised he had met with Mr. Doug Kosarek, who showed him some plans and offered to discuss the issue at his "Coffee with the Commissioner" to share ideas and provide feedback.

Mr. Hayes reiterated that photos and maps were outside the bounds of this context, but the general issues of development may be discussed.

Ms. Lucille Bornmann, 6 Windsor Drive, stated the City was allowing developers from other cities to come into Ormond Beach to dictate what was best for the City, make millions of dollars, and leave town forcing the residents to live with the consequences. She expressed concern this redevelopment would create more cost for infrastructure, schools, police, and firefighters while the developers ask for a CRA so the taxpayers can help pay for the development. Ms. Bornmann stated the developers wanted higher building heights and more density to make millions of dollars more for themselves. She suggested the creation of a new redevelopment plan instead where the City would furnish paint and the residents could paint their houses and clean up their yard. Ms. Bornmann expressed a need for downtown redevelopment.

Mr. Gregory Avakian, 161 Heritage Circle, noted he favored lifting building height restrictions if it was done properly, and he preferred more off-beach parking east of A1A rather than west of A1A. He pointed out that there was a small window of opportunity to have developers pay for off-beach parking, and he urged the Commission to see the bigger picture. Mr. Avakian pointed out that it takes money to have what the residents want, so the tax base was important, but not at the cost of having the canyon effect on the beach. He stated he would prefer seeing specific projects, noting that he could not determine if a project was good or bad without considering specific details.

Ms. Suzanne Konchan, 444 Seabreeze Boulevard, representing the Coral Sands Hotel, which she stated was held in two entities, one being Ocean Shore Investment LLC, which consisted of three longstanding Ormond Beach residents. She noted these residents are in the conceptual process of considering the redevelopment opportunities of their property and in the beginning stages of creating a joint venture partnership with WCI Communities. Ms. Konchan stated many different options for the property have been considered, and the goal was to develop a high

quality project. She pointed out that the designs have been under the City's current code provisions. Ms. Konchan noted one of the owners, Mr. Charles Lichtigman, would be sitting on the visioning panel tomorrow night. She stated WCI recently developed in the Hammock Dunes area, and that project would be available for the Commission to view individually or as a group.

Mr. Steve Sandholtz, 600 North Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach, representing Ocean Waters Development, reported Bray and Gillespie had nothing to do with establishing the no-drive zone in Daytona Beach. He pointed out Bray and Gillespie was a local company.

Mr. Hayes urged focusing on general concepts rather than particular projects.

Mr. Sandholtz reiterated that Bray and Gillespie was a local company and one of the largest employers in Volusia County with a long-term perspective about the entire market area, but mostly Ormond Beach, in that many of the principles live in Ormond Beach and have a vested interest in the community. He explained that Bray and Gillespie wanted to work with the community to fulfill the vision of what this beachfront could be with no untoward intention. Mr. Sandholtz stated Bray and Gillespie was the largest owner of oceanfront property and was not looking to maximize a single project and leave town, but interested in working with the City and the community to fulfill the best vision for the marketplace, but that vision has yet to be determined. He noted south of Granada Boulevard there were only a few developable sites, so the opportunities to drastically change the oceanfront do not exist; however, there were opportunities to make key changes. Mr. Sandholtz pointed out that Bray and Gillespie was not asking for additional density, but to be part of the process of redeveloping the beachside.

Ms. Peggy Farmer, Ormond Beach Chamber of Commerce, noted she received a call from a member of the Chamber of Commerce who has a beach concession who reported the beach was basically closed since the hurricanes almost all the way to the Cardinal approach and was now also closed at the Cardinal approach. She pointed out the beach from Granada Boulevard north of the Coral Sand was mostly residential. Ms. Farmer stated there were only 1.8 miles south of Granada Boulevard of tourist-type beach, and most was vacation timeshares. She reported this was an important concept in that for 100 rooms there were 5,200 owners, because each room has a new owner every week, and those 5,200 owners would have to decide and approve what would happen with that property. Ms. Farmer pointed out that because of this, there were very few parcels where this type of development could possibly occur. She urged the Commission to take input from everyone. Ms. Farmer noted the Ormond Beach beachside was behind the times and an embarrassment, and she asked the Commission to allow some flexibility and keep an open mind without giving up control of the beachside.

Ms. Rita Press, 875 Wilmette Avenue, Citizens for Ormond Beach, stated the CFOB visioning sessions were very timely and on target to start discussions on this very issue. She noted the CFOB's visioning session regarded the downtown included a panel of people who would be very interesting as they share their ideas about walkable communities and modular housing for the infill. Ms. Press urged everyone to have an open mind and start dialogue.

Mr. Glenn Jaspers, 160 Ocean Terrace, stated the Land Development Code was rewritten with great expectations only to be ignored. He noted the City has codes and conditions to be followed. He urged the Land Development Code be followed rather than used for esoteric discussions.

Mr. Doug Kosarek, Bray and Gillespie, 1420 N. Atlantic Avenue, stated his firm consisted of long-term residents and was a part of this community. He noted Bray and Gillespie was listening to the community, and rather than changing Ormond Beach's character, their intention was to try to capture that character. Mr. Kosarek noted Bray and Gillespie was one of the largest landholders of oceanfront property, and they are moving forward with development plans, but they can develop any way the City wanted them to develop. He noted if the will of the Commission was to develop as it had been in the past, that could be done; but that takes no vision, and given a little latitude, and after listening to residents, they could create something in which Ormond Beach could be proud.

Mayor Costello stated he met with people several times questioning what could be done with the beach. He pointed out that Ormond Beach has the ugliest beach in Volusia County and the only one that can not be accessed or used due to hurricanes, sand, and turtles. Mayor Costello asked the Commission to provide general guidance so that at the CFOB forum tomorrow night the developers would be able to be as creative as possible. He noted at the meeting tomorrow night, the Commission members would not be able to speak; therefore, he recommended this be discussed tonight.

Mayor Costello explained there were a number of issues he would be willing to consider. He stated the Commission's current priority was for a seven story height limit; and using that priority, Ormond Beach has ugly architecture, minimal to no vistas of the beach, minimal tax benefit, no public parking, and no public beach access. Mayor Costello noted he would approve a referendum that would indicate the Commission would set a height limit that would set a zero increase in density, no new fire, no new police, and no new beach patrol needed where the developer would provide for public parking, a public park, and public restrooms, which would be maintained by them. He reported he would be willing to approve a 14-story building if a public park were also provided. Mayor Costello questioned what good seven stories were if the beach could not be accessed, used, or seen. He reiterated that there would be no density increase, and this method was called "transfer of development rights," where rights from one property would be transferred to another property when the developer would provide the City with 100% public ownership of the land that would become a public park. Mayor Costello explained his number one priority was beach accessibility. He stated his second priority was beach parking with walkovers paid for by the County or the developer if they could not provide land on the east side of A1A. Mayor Costello noted his third priority was beach vistas. He explained his fourth priority was architecture making Ormond Beach a special community. Mayor Costello noted the fifth priority was a height limit. He stated his sixth priority was a tax benefit, and he pointed out that he was not interested in redeveloping the beachside merely for the tax benefit, but it would be an added bonus. Mayor Costello stated if the Commission believed the City could achieve this goal better with a seven-story height limit, then that was what should be done; but if a zero increase in density and transfer of development rights along A1A would better achieve the goal, that should be done. He noted he was gladly willing to set a precedent to allow a greater building height if the developer was willing to provide a public park. Mayor Costello reported the development community needed to know if they should offer an incredible project or if they had to conform to the "cookie cutter" seven story buildings of the past.

Commissioner Boyle agreed the value of the parking west of A1A was nil without a traffic signal, since the cost of a walkover was \$3 million. He noted skepticism that a developer given exemptions to the longstanding historical height limit would trade valuable oceanfront footage for additional stories. Commissioner Boyle urged that signage be provided at the ABC Liquor store for the off-beach parking. He stated the demographics have changed, but the seven story height limit has not inhibited development. Commissioner Boyle noted the City moved from family hotels to condominiums and timeshares, which severely impacted businesses on the west side of A1A.

Commissioner Boyle stated this was a decision the people needed to make in this fall's election, which would depoliticizing the issue. He noted hospitals and enterprise zones could be easily exempted. Commissioner Boyle pointed out the shadows would affect the beach and the homes, and the A1A view of the ocean was not an issue because vistas of the ocean between buildings were worthless unless the vista was large, accommodating 100 to 200 cars. Commissioner Boyle stated the 1.8 miles of beach was already too dense, and he questioned where the cars would be parked. He concurred the beach could not be accessed by citizens, but this was not caused by a seven story height limit. Commissioner Boyle questioned how to slow down a trend to make Ormond Beach a private beach. He expressed concern there would be shells of buildings as occurred in the 1970s when the market fell. Commissioner Boyle stated fire rescue above seven stories was questionable, and the City would be trading a beach in shadow for parking spaces and a shower. He stated the City would be selling the quality of Ormond Beach for money. Commissioner Boyle reported the Land Development Code was recently rewritten, and none of this was discussed at that time. He stated wise people made rules well in advance of the press of development so that when the development pressures came, the rules would be in place; but then the rules are changed to accommodate the development pressure. Commissioner Boyle reported he did not feel qualified to make the decision to lift these rules for the people, and they should make the decision by way of the ballot.

Commissioner Kent stated Mr. Kosarek indicated he wanted what was best for the community and that they could develop any way the Commission wanted them to develop. He noted the beach was in his zone and agreed the beach was ugly, but he stated people on the beach tend to face the water rather than the hotels. Commissioner Kent concurred there were some eyesores driving on A1A, but there has been progress with minimal investment. He noted the height limit was not what made the beach ugly, especially since 14 stories across the beach would be even uglier. Commissioner Kent explained the City needed access to the beach and off-beach parking.

Commissioner Kent noted there were advantages such as more money, a cleaner and better view, and it could provide some great ocean views, but he stated condominiums would take business away from A1A businesses. He expressed concern that anyone paying \$1 to \$2.5

million on a beach property would endeavor to make the beach private, which has happened in other areas in the past. Commissioner Kent stated the beach would not remain as it was and would eventually become hard packed sand again. He noted the beach can not be seen anywhere while driving, and the shade was a big concern. Commissioner Kent reported he looked forward to the visioning session at tomorrow night's forum, but he believed great things could be done within the existing codes. Commissioner Kent stated when such drastic changes would occur, he favored a referendum allowing the people to make the decision, and he would then follow their will.

Commissioner Kelley noted pictures of gloom and doom have been painted, but what was certain was that the beach was ugly right now and the canyon effect currently existed. He pointed out if what existed was what was wanted, it could be left as it was. Commissioner Kelley noted he would like to have beautiful hotels where people visiting would not have to go to Daytona Beach to find a first-class hotel. He stated if condominiums were built, there would be less traffic, no improvement would be needed for infrastructure, sprinklers would lessen the fire hazard, and there would be a negative, if any, impact on schools since the people moving into the condominiums would be older people without children. Commissioner Kelley pointed out that Ormond Beach has only 1.8 miles along A1A, and he questioned how many properties could possibly be developed. He noted the timeshares would not be able to be developed because of the 5,200 owners per 100 rooms. Commissioner Kelley reported he would not support or deny a 14-story building with a park until he saw the details, but the citizens would eventually not have access to the beach as it existed currently.

Commissioner Kelley noted that the wise men that created the Land Development Code in 1989 were Dick Jacobs and Glenn Sweeny, and he pointed out that 200 amendments were made in first year. He noted the first developer in Ormond Beach probably came from out of State, but these developers are local people. Commissioner Kelley stated he favored seeing what was available and hoped to see the photos tomorrow night. He clarified that this was not to build 22 story condominiums on the entire beach, as that would be physically impossible. Commissioner Kelley urged waiting to see the proposals and making a decision based upon the facts.

Commissioner Partington stated he did not want to limit ideas of what may be brought forward tomorrow, which would defeat the purpose of a visioning session. He urged the developers to bring their projects for review. Commissioner Partington noted he was not afraid to make a decision, which was what the Commission was elected to do. He agreed with Commissioner Kelley that there were possibly three properties that could be developed. Commissioner Partington noted there were 17 stories on the beach now, and this would not be as high.

Mayor Costello stated three Commission members were inviting developers to bring forward creative projects. He reported the only way to get access to the beach was with transfer of development rights to open up existing property to public access, but he concurred the height limit had nothing to do with causing the current situation. Mayor Costello stated the potential fix was to use what was there and transfer what was currently vested without adding a single unit. He asked the City Attorney to prepare a resolution in a month or two after the visioning process had been completed. Mayor Costello suggested, as an example, using a maximum of 14 stories including parking stories aboveground and the transfer of existing development rights with existing density above the 90 foot height limit only in exchange for a parcel that would be used for public parks, a minimum of perhaps 50 foot wide for every 12-foot increase in height. He noted the numbers may need to be changed, but a maximum must be set for public parks. Mayor Costello noted he anticipated a creative visioning session tomorrow night.

Item #10(B) – Exemption from the Uniform Municipal Election Act/Charter Amendments

Mayor Costello reported there were two issues before the Commission at this time: the schedule for holding Commission elections and City-wide zone elections. He questioned the cost for a November/December election; whereby, Ms. Veronica Patterson, City Clerk, explained there would be an additional cost of approximately \$2,000.

Commissioner Boyle stated a runoff election two weeks after the November election, which would still be in November, would not need a waiver and would not interfere with the holidays. He noted Ms. Patterson advised it was not certain the City could have the ballots printed in time, and he questioned why the ballots could not be printed in time.

Commissioner Kelley reported the ballots were printed out of State; whereby, Ms. Patterson concurred.

Commissioner Boyle stated if all of the elections were moved to October, there would be a great deal of confusion for people who would not vote, people who would be disenfranchised, and winter residents would not yet have returned to the City.

Mayor Costello stated more communities were holding all elections in October and the runoffs in November, which was a great advantage. Commissioner Kent, Commissioner Kelley, and Commissioner Partington concurred with Mayor Costello that they preferred the October/November elections, with Commissioner Boyle opposed.

Relative to City-wide zone elections, Commissioner Kelley stated that people in the Zone 3 election last January/February went to vote from all City zones. He noted if all Commissioners ran every time there was an election, all Ormond Beach residents could vote. Commissioner Kelley explained that if a Commissioner in a zone were unopposed, people may not go to vote in that zone; but if they could vote for the other Commissioners and the Mayor, it would provide an incentive to vote resulting in a better turnout, and it would eliminate any confusion as to who would vote in which election. He pointed out that every Commission member was to place the City's overall interest at heart in every action they take, and this would place more emphasis on the overall City without neglecting the Commissioner's individual zone. Commissioner Kelley recommended placing this on the ballot as a referendum question.

Commissioner Boyle questioned where the citizens were that were asking for four-year terms, October elections, and City-wide elections; and he noted they were begging for a referendum on height limits. He stated City-wide elections best served smaller cities such as Holly Hill, but larger cities require zone elections because citizens have more direct representation through their zone Commissioner who was more accountable to those citizens. Commissioner Boyle explained this was why the voters rejected consolidation twenty-five years ago. He stated people from other zones and other cities have influence in elections by the donations they make to campaigns contributions. Commissioner Boyle reported the zones in Ormond Beach are dissimilar and have many unique characteristics and needs. He pointed out City-wide elections would require greater expenditures and donations of campaign money, shifting the emphasis and advantage to the candidates who received donated money. Commissioner Boyle stated elections would be more dependent upon expensive advertising and mailers and less on door-to-door contact, resulting in less direct accountability and more distance between voters and their elected representatives. He noted this would widen the disconnect mentioned tonight between the Commission and the citizens.

Commissioner Partington reported he favored Commissioners being elected by the entire City while representing individual zones.

Commissioner Kent reported he was not ready to change to City-wide elections.

Commissioner Kelley pointed out Port Orange has City-wide elections.

Mayor Costello stated that having City-wide voting for zone elections would harm only the candidates since they would have to work much harder. He noted this would allow the entire City to have an impact on the entire Commission; therefore, he considered it to be a good idea. Mayor Costello noted in that three Commission members have agreed, he asked that the City-wide elections issue be placed on the ballot.

Mr. Hayes stated he would bring an ordinance before the Commission for a formal vote.

Item #10(C) – Commissioner Boyle to Discuss Election Regulations

Commissioner Boyle thanked Ms. Patterson for providing the Commission with the information provided in the packet. He stated while qualifying was seven weeks away, the election season has begun. Commissioner Boyle stated candidates should make sure Political Action Committees (PAC) were properly registered before accepting or enlisting their help.

Commissioner Boyle stated his personnel file from the school board was mailed to the Commission, citizens, and media with a cover sheet that advised that the mailing would go out to all Zone 1 voters. He reported that as an announced candidate for Zone 1, this mailing would be defined as political. Commissioner Boyle reported the allegations were false, and he was as powerless to defend them now as he was when they were made years ago. He noted when he made the decision to seek this office in 1995, he and his wife knew these allegations could be made known, and his decision to run despite that certain knowledge, should speak volumes about the validity of the information. Commissioner Boyle reported he answered public questions relative to this issue in 1995, 1997, 2001, and 2003. He noted the community knows him, and those who still have questions would always have those same questions.

Commissioner Boyle pointed out that for ten years the people of Zone 1 have given him their public trust and faith, and he would continue to have faith in their public judgment. He stated when running for office, candidates volunteer themselves for public scrutiny and judgment. Commissioner Boyle noted if the contents of the mailing should be considered, the senders should take credit by name rather than under a cloak of anonymity. He stated the only name he had appeared on a letter from the Volusia County Schools identifying Commissioner Partington as the person who requested and received this information.

Mayor Costello asked Commissioner Partington if he wished to respond; whereby, Commissioner Partington stated he had no comment.

Mayor Costello stated he did not favor decisions made on incidents that happened years ago that had not been proven, and he urged people to vote on each member of the Commission on the votes they had cast. He noted he personally called Commissioner Boyle when he received the letter and provided two names of people who did not support Commissioner Boyle; but he later learned they were not associated with the letter, and he subsequently asked them to be on his campaign. Mayor Costello pointed out that he would not allow anyone to work on his campaign if they sent this information out. He reiterated his concept of Truth in Politics (TIF) where all of the information would be funneled to specific individuals to make sure all information provided was accurate before it was distributed. Mayor Costello noted what happens in politics was that partial truths are stated, which tended to distort the whole truth.

Commissioner Kelley reported this report surfaced in 1995 and 1997, noting this was not the first request made for this information.

Commissioner Kent noted he was surprised to receive this information and to have three board appointments called him indicating they received the packet as well. He noted that the attached letter did not appear to be anything any of his fellow Commission members would circulate, even if a Commission member did request the information. Commissioner Kent noted merely because this person requested the information did not mean he sent it out.

Ms. Elizabeth Robinson, 31 Lake Park Circle, stated in that there was a name attached to the letter and that Commission member had no comment, she questioned how the citizens were to know what other names were attached to the letter, what was the intent, and why the information was sent out. Ms. Robinson made accusations that Commissioner Partington was responsible for the mailing and should be held accountable for his actions.

Mayor Costello stated Ms. Robinson was assuming Commissioner Partington sent out the letter. He clarified Commissioner Partington's name was only noted as requesting the information, not distributing the information.

Commissioner Kelley and Mayor Costello stated Ms. Robinson was making accusations about something that she did not know to be true. Mayor Costello urged everyone to remember not to talk about individuals and make personal attacks, but they may ask any questions.

Item #10(D) – Policy on Notification of Sexual Offenders

Commissioner Partington stated the issue of notification of sexual predator and sexual offender was a very timely issue. He asked staff to provide guidelines as to what would be constitutional to protect the citizens relative to notification options. Commissioner Partington stated there were two predators and 23 sexual offenders living in Ormond Beach. He noted the City's current limit was consistent with the State Statutes of 1,000 feet from daycares and schools, but many municipalities were expanding this to 2,500 feet. Commissioner Partington reported that there was some concern that those enhanced designations would not be upheld constitutionally, indicating this may be a knee-jerk reaction to the problem. Keeping this in mind, he urged staff to focus on education, awareness, and notification. He explained the predator statute had a fairly enhanced and detailed notification process required, and he urged the sexual offender notification be the same as provided for the sexual predators. Commissioner Partington noted he was not opposed to expanding the legislation from 1,000 feet to 2,500, even though it may be struck down in two to three year by the Supreme Court; however, if Ormond Beach did not expand the distance and other communities did, then more predators and offenders may move to Ormond Beach. He recommended actions such as providing links to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) website and providing more awareness in the community updates and water bills, but noted the answer would probably be notification, education, and awareness.

Mayor Costello asked the Commission for their views on Commissioner Partington's suggestions with the 2,500 feet for the predator and 1,000 for the offender and the same notification for both.

Commissioner Kent stated he would support the toughest regulations possible, and should the Supreme Court strike it down in the future, that could be addressed at that time. He reported Ormond Beach should be the community to step out. Commissioner Kent supported 2,500 feet for the predator and offender as well as getting the information out even though it would cost some money.

Ms. Sandy Upchurch, Deputy City Attorney, stressed the importance of more than a one-time notification in that people move in and out of communities relatively frequently. She noted there would be a costs associated with a bi-annual or quarterly notification.

Mayor Costello noted he agreed with the 2,500 feet recommendation, noting his option was a hybrid that may be more acceptable to the courts.

Ms. Upchurch reported the City was now on firm legal ground, but over time the 2,500 feet may be struck down. She noted this could be a great step, but adjustments may be needed in perhaps five years.

Mayor Costello stated that for the next five years the City could pass an ordinance to require 2,500 feet for offenders and predators with the same notification for each as well as the other issues Commissioner Partington indicated.

Item #11 - Reports, Suggestions, Requests

4th of July Celebration

Commissioner Kelley thanked everyone for their efforts at the 4th of July celebration.

Flares for Police Department

Commissioner Kelley displayed a battery operated strobe type light he purchased at Home Depot for \$12.95 or \$14.95 that was visible for 8,000 feet. He stated he was certain something similar would be available for the Police Department.

Dispatch Issue

Commissioner Kelley stated he received another flyer sent by the Police Benevolent Association (PBA) containing misinformation. He reported this political advertisement endorsed those they choose to support; but it also thanked Ormond Beach citizens for answering their 911 and stated that as a result of that pressure, the Mayor and Commissioners have dropped this very bad idea, would leave emergency functions with Ormond Beach, and they did not believe there would be serious efforts to dismantle the Police Department for the foreseeable future. Commissioner Kelley stated that information was misleading. He stated the Commission was held accountable for its actions and statements, but people may come before the Commission or mail information out and not be held to any standard.

Airport Issue

Commissioner Kelley read Article 3.06 from the Code of Ordinances relative to appointments and removals which indicated that, "the City Commission or any of its members shall not in any manner direct the appointment of any City administrative officers or employees whom the City Manager or City Attorney or any of their subordinates are empowered to appoint, but the City Commission may express its views and freely discuss with the City Manager or City Attorney anything pertaining to the appointment or removal of such officers and employees." He stated he discussed with Mr. Turner in private the situation at the airport, stating the actions of staff have cost the City at least \$350,000. Commissioner Kelley noted it had been stated that the Commissioners were accountable, but he disagreed and stated Mr. Turner was accountable to the Commission for actions taken by staff. He stated that to date he had seen no action that identified the reason for the incident nor had he been provided any guarantee that it would not happen again. Commissioner Kelley stated he understood Mr. Turner had asked for an evaluation and urged this be brought to the Commission in the near future.

Congressional Fly In

Commissioner Partington reported he had the pleasure to attend Congressman Mica's "Congressional Fly In" in Washington D.C. He stated he met with representatives, congressmen, and the Speaker of the House. Commissioner Partington reported in his lobbying efforts for Ormond Beach, he spoke to the Transportation Committee, which was working on Ormond Crossings. He expressed the importance on continuing to meet with the legislators and remind them of Ormond Beach's needs.

Halifax Habitat for Humanity

Commissioner Partington noted last month he witnessed a family receive a home through the efforts of the Halifax Habitat for Humanity. He stated the new Habitat homes spark re-growth in the neighborhoods.

Tree Issues

Commissioner Partington thanked staff for all of their work regarding tree issues, since there had been quite a great many tree issues before the Commission recently.

Rumors in the Community

Commissioner Boyle addressed rumors circulating in the community that were negatively affecting everyone in government. He stated there had been a rumor that he would be making a motion to fire the City Manager; however, that was not true, and he would make no such motion. Commissioner Boyle noted the message he received from the community in 2002 was that the five elected Commission members were responsible and accountable for the success of the City Manager. He stated the Commission was told to provide Mr. Turner with clear direction and good decisions, and when problems occur not to point at the City Manager but to fix the problems. Commissioner Boyle reported he acknowledged that message in a public apology printed in the News-Journal on January 26, 2002. He stated he and Mr. Turner met and resolved the major issues, and he made the motion to bring Mr. Turner back. Commissioner Boyle noted he recently reiterated his belief that this Commission was responsible and accountable to the citizens for all City government. He stated while the Commission cannot prevent mistakes, they could delegate the authority to make decisions on a daily basis; however, they can not delegate their own responsibility away.

Commissioner Boyle stated he did not have a personal agenda against Chief Mathieson as had been rumored; however, he had asked questions about a number of major issues in the Police Department. He noted he asked those questions on the public record and in meetings with Mr. Turner, and one such meeting included Chief Mathieson. Commissioner Boyle reported all questions were answered, even though he was not satisfied with some of the answers. He stated at no time had he ever suggested to Mr. Turner that he impose sanctions or take any action against Chief Mathieson, nor would he do so.

Commissioner Boyle noted his last disclaimer was to people who believe he had tried to make political capital from the recent City problems. He stated he took an oath to defend this City, and he needed to have all of the facts before he could do that. Commissioner Boyle noted he would always be aggressive in seeking facts, which had been misinterpreted by some people. He reiterated he held himself accountable to the people for anything that went wrong in the City.

Commissioner Boyle stated it seemed there had been a call for action regarding the airport issue. He noted that Mr. Thompson came to the podium in early May of last year and warned the Commission that the methodology of how the Commission was making decisions would lead to the exact kind of disaster that had occurred.

Commissioner Boyle noted two weeks ago he raised questions on the public record relative to the gopher tortoise permit which asked if any member of staff had called the Department of Fish and Wildlife to find out if the City violated the terms of the gopher tortoise permit issue on May 16.

Mr. Turner stated he would answer Commissioner Boyle's question by the next meeting.

Commissioner Boyle's Personnel File

Commissioner Boyle stated that until the sender of his personnel file was known, he would believe and hold Commissioner Partington responsible.

Tsunami Warning System

Commissioner Kent reported he saw on television that a city had a tsunami warning device, and he asked staff to research this issue to discover which City purchased this warning system, the cost of the system, and how far in advance the warning would be received. He pointed out that in the early 1990s, three or four waves came on the beach in Daytona Beach, moving cars that were driving on the beach at that time.

Coffee with Commissioner

Commissioner Kent thanked Mr. and Mrs. Behnke for their input at his "Coffee with the Commissioner." He also thanked Chief Mathieson for attending and his willingness to answer any questions.

Candidacy

Commissioner Kent officially announced his candidacy for the Zone 2 election.

Independence Day

Mr. Turner thanked staff for their efforts in coordinating the Independence Day celebration.

Flares

Mr. Turner stated that at the last meeting there was a discussion relative to devices that increased visibility in traffic situations, and a statement was made about flares that Fire Chief Barry Baker and Fleet Manager Tom Mulligan opposed the use of flares. He advised that was not correct. Mr. Turner clarified that Chief Baker and Mr. Mulligan had not objected to using flares properly. He reported he would investigate and find out how this information was reported. Mr. Turner stated the Police Department had already had a group meeting to investigate devices that would increase visibility. He reported Chief Baker and Mr. Mulligan attended that meeting. Mr. Turner noted a Public Works representative would become a permanent member of that group.

Hurricane Efforts

Mr. Turner stated City staff had been making preparation efforts for potential hurricanes. He stated that since Hurricane Charlie, staff no longer would make an assumption as to whether the hurricane would affect Ormond Beach, and preparations were being discussed in response to Hurricane Dennis and the possibility of others to follow. Mr. Turner stated staff was attempting to improve its ability to respond to emergencies. Chief Baker and Assistant Police Chief Michael Longfellow were doing an outstanding job in helping to coordinate training efforts amongst staff in order to be better prepared.

Budget Discussion

Mr. Turner stated the Commission received the budget tonight for next year. He reported budget discussions would be held next Monday and Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

Accountability and Responsibility

Mr. Turner reported his management style was to criticize in private and praise in public. He stated staff had made some mistakes and errors recently relative to the tree clearing, the communication regarding the tree clearing, and issues in the Police Department, which needed to be addressed. Mr. Turner explained he was responsible for managing his staff. He reported the first priority was to fix what had occurred as quickly as possible and secondly to determine what happened, why it happened, how it could be prevented, and how it could be done better in the future. He noted that included discovering who was responsible for what aspect of the problem, and the City was currently going through that process. Mr. Turner stated he was trying to do this in private, but would announce any decision in public; however, he stated that he does try to protect the person's dignity. He noted he would hold people responsible and accountable, including himself. Mr. Turner noted he has tried to accomplish this by not making many public statements, but in the future he would make public statements as quickly as possible.

Announcing Candidacy

Mayor Costello announced his candidacy for mayor.

July 4th Celebration

Mayor Costello stated the fireworks at the July 4th celebration were fantastic.

Citizens for Ormond Beach

Mayor Costello thanked CFOB for the visioning sessions that were planned.

Weather Updates

Mayor Costello thanked Assistant Chief Mike Longfellow for providing the weather updates.

Disciplinary Actions

Mayor Costello noted he shared the credo to criticize in private and praise in public. He stated Mr. Turner was responsible for any disciplinary actions that may be needed. Mayor Costello reported he had informed Mr. Turner that he was not pleased with certain circumstances that had recently occurred, and the Commission should not hesitate to do the same.

Lobbyist

Mayor Costello requested a discussion item some time in the future to determine if the Commission wanted to continue using a lobbyist and who the lobbyist should be.

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Airport Manager

Mayor Costello requested a discussion during the budget meetings regarding consideration of hiring an airport manager. He stated he would specifically like to discuss whether having had an airport manager could have prevented the River Bend problem.

Accountability

Mayor Costello stated he could respect a person and not respect what that person may have done. He noted consequences are needed, but it would not lessen his respect for that person.

Item #12 – Close the Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

APPROVED: August 2, 2005

BY: Fred Costello, Mayor

ATTEST:

Veronica Patterson, City Clerk