

**WORKSHOP MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Present upon Roll Call: Commissioner Wojcik; Commissioner Kapper; Commissioner Holmes; Vice Mayor Branch; Mayor Adams

OLD BUSINESS

Gulf Boulevard Beautification – Bus Shelters

Mayor Adams explained that the Gulf Blvd. Beautification project has allotted \$1,722,660 over a 7 year period for the Town, with \$172,000 per year over the next 4 years. The big request is for undergrounding of utilities, which cannot be accomplished for the cost allotted. Mayor Adams said that overhead lines can be removed for 21 crossings, as well as more lighting at pedestrian crossings, and benches at bus stops. The 3 Redingtons would remove overhead lines at the same time. Mayor Adams said the BIG-C subcommittee reviews projects, then they are reviewed by the BIG-C, and finally to the County. Mayor Adams introduced Ray Nager, a well-known artist who makes decorative benches. Mr. Nager showed the Commission several of his works, and offered to create some benches for the beautification project if the Town chooses.

Steve Andrews, Building Official, commented that the Gulf Blvd. repaving is scheduled to begin in May; but there is no definite estimate for work from Progress Energy/Duke regarding the overhead wiring.

Proposed Ordinance – Chronic Nuisance Properties

Mayor Adams asked the Commissioners their thoughts on the nuisance ordinance. The consensus is that such an ordinance is a good idea, and will be specific enough to make legal enforcement easier. Sgt. Jeff Rawson, Indian Shores Police, explained that the ordinance would give strength to the enforcement procedure; and that some local violation issues already meet the criteria listed in the ordinance. Mayor Adams requested that Shane Crawford, City Manager of Madeira Beach, be invited to speak with the Commission to give an overview of how the chronic nuisance ordinance is working with his city.

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Amendments to La Vistana PUD

Commissioner Holmes presented a map of the existing La Vistana property, showing both lots and the frontage; and explained that the original PUD zoning called for commercial shops to be built in the front area along Gulf Blvd. There have been some meetings already with the developers regarding the lot, and potential new condominiums. Commissioner Holmes said that the developers would like to reduce the proposed condominium from 14 units to 7 units; and keep the commercial frontage as green space. The beach access on the north side of the lot would be improved, with pavers.

In other business, Commissioner Holmes requested everyone to purchase tickets for the Food for Thought party at the Gulf Beaches Library in March.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patti Herr
Deputy Town Clerk