

TOWN OF LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA

TOWN COMMISSION

WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

Town Commission Meeting Room

4501 Ocean Drive

Tuesday, June 6, 2006

7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER, MAYOR OLIVER PARKER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Parker at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Parker, Vice Mayor Yanni, Mayor Pro Tem Clark, Commissioner Silverstone and Commissioner McIntee. Also present were Town Manager Robert Baldwin, Municipal Services Director William Mason, and Acting Development Services Director Bradford Townsend.

Town Attorney James Cherof and Town Clerk Medina were not present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. General discussion on proposed Unified Land Development Regulations

Mayor Parker referenced the proposed ordinance changes and questioned if the Commission could move forward with its consideration without the need for a referendum. He understood that changes to the business district would be acceptable; however, he believed use changes within the residential areas would require a referendum. Mayor Pro Tem Clark agreed, but indicated that in reviewing the documentation, there were only five issues that could not be addressed as a referendum would be required. He indicated that Attorney Cherof had confirmed that only those five issues would require a referendum. Mayor Parker stated that the proposed document was so large that it would be difficult not to find an issue that would offend someone.

Commissioner McIntee felt that staff's recommendations needed to be considered and believed that if Attorney Cherof had indicated that staff could move forward with this issue, the proposed ordinance should be addressed now. He stated that this was not the place for personal opinions and asked that the review of the proposed ordinance proceed.

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Mayor Parker stated that the documentation showed a proposed change to the RS-5 zoning district and believed this would create the need for a referendum. He wished Attorney Cherof was present so that these types of questions could be addressed and the Commission could make proper recommendations. Mayor Parker stated that the purpose of the referendum question approved by registered voters during the March 2006 election was to prevent the Commission from making any zoning changes to the residential districts without a referendum. He indicated that he believed the Commission needed to ensure that there were no illegal enactments of zoning changes. Mayor Parker stated if a referendum were necessary, the will of the people could not be ignored.

Commissioner Silverstone stated that everyone had a separate opinion of the need for a referendum; however, he felt that the Commission could move forward with the consideration of the proposed ordinance.

Brief discussion followed, wherein the Mayor read portions of the referendum question placed on the ballot pursuant to the Citizens Initiative Committee's petition. Commissioner McIntee felt that if the Mayor wished to review the referendum at this meeting, all Commission members should have been provided with a copy. He felt that the Commission should move forward without further discussion.

Commissioner McIntee made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Silverstone, to cancel this workshop meeting and that Attorney Cherof be requested to attend if the meeting were rescheduled at a later date.

Vice Mayor Yanni questioned if the proposed changes to the Land Use Development Regulations were in compliance with the recently approved referendum. Mayor Parker stated that he was unsure and was only asking for confirmation that all issues concerning the referendum were considered.

Manager Baldwin asked if the Commission felt there would be any value in reviewing staff's presentation even if it were not discussed at this time. In response to Vice Mayor Yanni's inquiry, Mr. Townsend explained the process staff followed to review each issue addressed in the proposed ordinance.

Commissioner McIntee called for the motion to be concluded.

In a roll call vote, all voted in favor. The motion carried 5-0.

4. ADJOURNMENT

As there were no objections and no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Oliver Parker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alina Medina, Town Clerk

Date Accepted: _____