

APPROVED BY
January 22, 2003
CITY COUNCIL

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 18, 2002**

The City of Bradenton City Council met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida on December 18, 2002 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Councilman Ward I Gene Gallo
Councilwoman Ward II Marianne Barnebey
Vice Mayor and Councilwoman Ward III Michele Weaver
Councilman Ward IV Bemis Smith
Councilman Ward V James T. Golden

Also Present: Carl Callahan, City Clerk and Treasurer
John Cumming, Public Works Director
William Lisch, City Attorney
Mark Souders, Fire Chief
Michael Radzilowski, Police Chief
Larry Frey, Planning Services Director
Staci Nelms, Technology Director

Press: Bradenton Herald
Manatee Herald Tribune

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Poston.

Mayor Poston introduced **Molly Ricker**, a fifth grader from Bradenton Christian School as "Mayor for the Day".

Prayer was led by Reverend Don Carter, Trinity Assembly of God.

Flag salute was led by Mayor Molly Ricker.

MINUTES:

Minutes for November 20, 2002.

No discussion followed.

Motion to approve the November 20, 2002 minutes was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Vice Mayor Weaver and carried 5-0 for approval.

OATH OF OFFICE:

Chief Michael Radzilowski

Mayor Poston administered the oath of office to Police Chief Michael Radzilowski.

PROCLAMATION:

Homeless Memorial Day Proclamation

Mr. Callahan read the proclamation that proclaimed December 21, 2002 as Homeless Memorial Day in the City of Bradenton.

Judge Ed Nicholas, Board Member for the “Manatee County Community Coalition on Homelessness” accepted the proclamation and thanked Mayor Poston for recognizing the needs of the homeless.

Mr. Callahan administered the Oath to any individuals who wished to speak during the public hearings.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Janice Ward, 102 6th Street East voiced her concern that her yard was still flooding due to the newly developed marina and stated that the compliance due date to correct this problem was March 21, 2003. She stated that she would like this issue to be addressed sooner.

Mayor Poston stated that the Department of Development Services was moving forward as quickly as possible on this issue.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Gene Gallo, Ward I:

Nothing to report.

Councilwoman Marianne Barnebey, Ward II:

Councilwoman Barnebey stated that the American Patriotism Committee would continue the various celebrations in observance of Veteran’s Day for next year.

Councilwoman Barnebey stated she served on the Tourist Development Council and announced that the Tourist Information Center located in Ellenton would be closing.

Councilwoman Barnebey stated that the Library Board of Trustees met with the Legislative Delegation regarding the library funding for the next year. She asked for continued support from Manatee County for funds that aide in purchasing material for the library.

Councilwoman Barnebey thanked all the City departments for their help in making another year for Winter Wonderland and the Jingle Bell Run a great success.

Vice-Mayor Michele Weaver, Ward III

Nothing to report.

Councilman Bemis Smith, Ward IV:

Nothing to report.

Councilman James Golden, Ward V:

Councilman Golden thanked the Manatee High School Key Club for their contributions for improving the quality of life in the Ward V community.

Councilman Golden thanked those who attended the Quality Assurance Committee Meeting/Dinner that was held at the Twin Dolphin Restaurant. He commented that it was a great success with wonderful fellowship.

Mayor Poston:

Mayor Poston thanked the City Staff for their generosity in purchasing Christmas gifts for children associated with the "Adopt a Family for Christmas" program.

Mayor Poston thanked Deputy Fire Chief Matt Keller and Rebecca Pilsbury for their hard work in successfully receiving a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant in the amount of \$250,000 toward the purchase of a new fire truck at a cost of \$278,000.

Mayor Poston commented that Denny Miller with the Manatee Players voiced his concern regarding street festivals and the problems that was created with placing the stage outside next to the theater.

Mayor Poston stated that he would be speaking to Denny Miller regarding past conversations which addressed and hopefully would correct this problem.

BUSINESS/ADVERTISING, PETITIONS, HEARINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**A-02-03 WARD 4 SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING
Request of Maurice Healy for annexation of land contiguous to the city
limits located at 404 39th Street East.**

**AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TO THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, CERTAIN
LAND CONTIGUOUS THERETO, LOCATED AT 404 39TH STREET EAST AND
LEGALLY DESCRIBED.**

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing and requested anyone wishing to speak in favor of the request to please come forward. No one came forward.

Mayor Poston requested anyone wishing to speak in opposition of the request to please come forward.

Tom Moselar, Riverpointe community voiced his concern for increased traffic concerns with a new development.

Mayor Poston stated that this annexation was zoned as retail office, residential and that the zoning would not change whether it was city or county.

Mayor Poston closed the public hearing.

Larry Frey stated that the Planning Staff recommended approval of the request. That the property was consistent with the City's Comprehension Plan, He stated there were adequate city services available to the property.

**Motion to approve the annexation request was made by Councilman Smith,
seconded by Councilman Golden and carried 5-0 for approval.**

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**M-CPA-02-10 WARD 2 RESOLUTION & PUBLIC HEARING
Request of Clifford Walters, as agent for Episcopal Day Private School, for a Comprehensive Plan amendment to change the Future Land Use Designation from Manatee County Res 6 to City of Bradenton Residential 10 on the property located at 315 41st Street West.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, TRANSMITTING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS OF FACT; AUTHORIZING TRANSMITTAL OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION M-CPA-02-10, EPISCOPAL DAY PRIVATE SCHOOL, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT (FUTURE LAND USE MAP); PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY AND EFFECT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing to continue the public hearing to January 22, 2003.

No discussion followed.

Motion to continue the public hearing to January 22, 2003 was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**M-CPA-02-11 FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE & PUBLIC HEARING
Request of the City of Bradenton for a Small Scale Comprehensive Plan amendment to change the Future Land Use Map Designation from Residential 10 to Industrial and from Commercial to Industrial for the area located between 9th Avenue and 11th Avenue East and 10th Street to 13th Street East.**

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing to continue the public hearing to January 8, 2003.

No discussion followed.

Motion to continue the public hearing to January 8, 2003 was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Vice Mayor Weaver and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**M-CPA-02-13 FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE & PUBLIC HEARING
Request of the City of Bradenton for a Small Scale Comprehensive Plan amendment to change the Future Land Use Map Designation from Residential 10 to Commercial for the property located on the east side of 15th Street West between 9th Avenue and 17th Avenue West.**

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing to continue the public hearing to January 8, 2003.

No discussion followed.

Motion to continue the public hearing to January 8, 2003 was made by Vice Mayor Weaver, seconded by Councilman Golden and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**M-CPA-02-14 RESOLUTION & PUBLIC HEARING
Request of the City of Bradenton for a Comprehensive Plan text amendment as it relates to transfer of density in the Future Land Use Element and the Coastal Management Element.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, TRANSMITTING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS OF FACT; AUTHORIZING TRANSMITTAL OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT APPLICATION M-CPA-02-14, CITY OF BRADENTON, AMENDING TEXT IN THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT AND THE COASTAL MANAGEMENT CONSERVATION ELEMENT, PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY AND EFFECT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing to continue the public hearing to January 22, 2003.

No discussion followed.

Motion to continue the public hearing to January 22, 2003 was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Councilman Smith and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**SE-02-17 WARD 4 NEIGHBORHOOD 7.03 PUBLIC HEARING
Request of Melinda Lehoczky for special exception approval to operate a deli/grocery store on the property located at 311 8th Street East.
(Zoned C-1).**

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing and requested anyone wishing to speak in favor of the request to please come forward. No one came forward.

Mayor Poston requested anyone wishing to speak in opposition of the request to please come forward.

Janice Ward, 102 6th Street East voiced her concern for minimal space for parking and access to the store.

Larry Frey stated that Planning Staff had first denied the approval due to lack of information submitted. He stated however the applicant had recently submitted an amended site plan which addressed the five recommendations for denial as follows:

1. A parking and landscape plan had not been submitted identifying size and location of parking spaces, and size and type of landscape materials, both existing and proposed.
2. Traffic impacts had not been addressed sufficiently.

3. The interior pedestrian and traffic circulation pattern had not been indicated on the plan.
4. Refuse and loading zones had not been indicated on the plan.
5. Signage had not been addressed.

Larry Frey stated that the Planning Commission recommended approval with the following **stipulations**:

1. The applicant would meet with the building department regarding the handicap parking spaces.
2. The applicant would work with the Public Works Department regarding the location, size and style of the refuse area.
3. Remove the six (6) foot high fence and barbed wire in the front of the building and install at the applicants option a four (4) foot fence with no gates.

Ruth Seewer, Development Review Manager stated that this request was a very small scale ethnic specialized deli/grocery store. She stated that there was adequate parking and that the applicant had agreed to all the recommendations and stipulations.

Councilman Smith voiced his concern for alcohol sales.

Councilman Gallo voiced his concern for insufficient parking.

Councilwoman Barnebey voiced her concern for traffic problems.

Mayor Poston closed the public hearing.

Motion to approve the request with the Planning Commission stipulations was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Golden and carried 3-2 for approval with Councilman Gallo and Councilwoman Barnebey in opposition.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**SE-02-21 WARD 5 NEIGHBORHOOD 7.03 PUBLIC HEARING
Request of Steve Parisian for special exception approval to operate a lounge\catering establishment on the property located at 515 9th Street East (Zoned C-1).**

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing and requested anyone wishing to speak in favor of the request to please come forward.

Steve Parisian, applicant requested approval of the special exception stating that it would enhance the neighborhood.

(Tape 1, Side 2)

Sean Bajaka, 2nd Avenue East stated that he was in favor of the request and stated that it would greatly benefit the surrounding community.

Mayor Poston requested anyone wishing to speak in opposition of the request to please come forward. No one came forward.

Mayor Poston closed the public hearing.

Motion to approve the special exception request was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

ABL-02-07 WARD 5 NEIGHBORHOOD 7.03 PUBLIC HEARING
Request of Steve Parisian for alcoholic beverage approval for a 4COP License (sale of beer, wine and liquor for consumption on premises) on the property located at 515 9th Street East (Zoned C-1).

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing and requested anyone wishing to speak in favor of the request to please come forward.

Steve Parisian applicant requested approval for the sale of alcohol beverages at the lounge\catering establishment.

Mayor Poston requested anyone wishing to speak in opposition of the request to please come forward. No one came forward.

Mayor Poston closed the public hearing.

Motion to approve the request was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Vice Mayor Weaver and carried 4-1 for approval with Councilman Golden in opposition.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

SE-02-22 WARD 5 NEIGHBORHOOD 1.01 PUBLIC HEARING
Request of Lucienne Gauffillet of Zoller, Najjar and Shroyer, agent for Manatee East Corporation, Alliant Partners and McNitt Food Mart, Inc., property owners, for special exception approval to operate an Eckerd's Drug Store on the property located at 520 1st Street West (Zoned C-1A\UCBD).

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing and requested anyone wishing to speak in favor of the request to please come forward.

Lucienne Gauffillet, Zoller, Najjar and Shroyer requested approval to operate an Eckerd's Drug Store. She answered questions regarding traffic flow and access to the site.

Mayor Poston requested anyone wishing to speak in opposition of the request to please come forward. No one came forward.

Mayor Poston closed the public hearing.

Motion to approve the request was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**SE-02-23 WARD 5 NEIGHBORHOOD 1.03\1.04 PUBLIC HEARING
Request of the City of Bradenton, property owner, for special exception approval to develop a public neighborhood park on the property located at 509 Martin Luther King Avenue West (Zoned C-1\UCBD).**

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing and requested anyone wishing to speak in favor of the request to please come forward.

John Ormando, Assistant Public Works Director and the City of Bradenton representative as acting Chairman of the Board for Keep Manatee Beautiful briefly gave details for transforming a barren city lot located at the southeast corner of Ninth Avenue West and Sixth Street West into a tree-shaded park to be named Martin Luther King Jr. Park. He stated the estimated total cost of the park was \$82,841. He stated the Keep Manatee Beautiful Board had committed to \$2,500 funds for landscape materials and would be matched by other organizations.

Ingram McClellan, Executive Director for Keep Manatee Beautiful representing the Tree Board stated that the Board had unanimously voted to use the park as their Arbor Day 2003 project. She stated that Tree Board had agreed to spend \$9,610 for purchasing trees.

She requested approval to use the expenditure funds from the Tree Board for the Arbor Day 2003 project.

Discussion: Future widening of 9th Street with possible set backs needed.

Mayor Poston requested anyone wishing to speak in opposition of the request to please come forward. No one came forward.

Mayor Poston closed the public hearing.

Councilman Golden stated that part of the fence would be donated.

Motion to approve the request to development of the Martin Luther King Jr. Park and authorization to use the Tree Board expenditure funds was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**M-02-12 WARD 4 NEIGHBORHOOD 7.03 PUBLIC HEARING
Request of Gus and Lisa Sokos, Angela Barrett, Kevin and Missy Harlander, and Robert and Lorraine St. Louis, for right of way vacation of that portion of 16th Street Court East located between 1st Avenue East and 2nd Avenue East (Zoned R-1B).**

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing and requested anyone wishing to speak in favor of the request to please come forward.

Gus Sokos representing the four property owners adjacent to 16th Street Court East requested approval for a right-of-way vacation located on 16th Street Court East, between 1st Avenue and 2nd Avenue.

Mayor Poston requested anyone wishing to speak in opposition of the request to please come forward. No one came forward.

Mayor Poston closed the public hearing.

Larry Frey stated that the Planning Commission and Planning Staff recommended approval of the request.

Motion to approve the request was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and carried 5-0 for approval.

(Tape 2, Side A)

NEW BUSINESS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS, CITY ATTORNEY AND COUNCIL:

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**BRADENTON RIVERFRONT PARTNERS, LLC
LEASE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT**

Ron Allen, Bradenton Riverfront Partners, LLC introduced **Robert Hatfield**, President of Hatfield Development Company, Joint Development Partner with the Condominium Project, **Harlan Newton**, Vice-President of Hatfield Development, **Jim Parker** from Parker Associates Architect, **Dave Atkins** and **C. W. Craig** with Atkins Craig, Marketing Professionals for the Condominium project. He stated that **Tony Menna** and **Jim Woods** from Menna Development with the Marriott Hotel Franchisee left earlier to attend a previous appointment.

Ron Allen stated that there was a lot of activity on the waterfront property listing the 3rd Avenue Extension, the renovation of the Waterfront Park and the current construction of Phase I which consisted of 250 units of luxury apartments.

Mr. Allen stated that he had met with each Council member regarding the lease amendment and that Bradenton Riverfront Partners would be returning to the Council in the future regarding approval for the site plan.

Dave Atkins, Atkins Craig, Marketing Professionals gave a brief background of his company and stated that as a Marketing Professional able to choose certain developments commented that he was excited about the waterfront condominium proposal. He was enthusiastic with the marvelous development design, wonderful usage perspective and ideal concept with a neighborhood atmosphere. He stated that it would be difficult to sell the units as lease hold property when there were other developments that could offer a deed for ownership. He stated that it would be a poor business decision to attempt to sell a product that his company believed would be slaughtered in the real estate market by its lack of offering a deed against a 99 year right to use lease.

Discussion: **Ron Allen** and **Ed Vogler** discussed the project and the economical benefits conducive to the City.

Further discussion: Proposal to the Art League.

Ed Vogler stated that a non-exclusive sign easement at 3rd Avenue West and 1st Street and at 7th Street and Manatee Avenue was listed in the submitted lease agreement. Mr. Vogler stated that he was proposing a joint docking facility for public and private use.

Questions were asked and answers provided.

Councilwoman Barnebey voiced her concern that there was not enough documentation sufficient to make a decision at this time.

Mr. Callahan stated that he supported the changes in the lease agreement and that the City would gain more with ad valorem taxes, sales taxes, etc.

Councilman Gallo stated that he was excited to see the vision currently happening at the waterfront and supported the lease amendment.

Councilman Smith stated that he believed it was beneficial to proceed and approve the lease agreement in order to bring the City a step closer with the vision for the waterfront.

Vice Mayor Weaver stated that she understood the lease agreement as explained to her and that she was confident in the City's legal council and would support the lease agreement.

Motion to approve of the Amended and Restated Ground Lease Agreement as submitted was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Weaver and carried 4-1 with Councilwoman Barnebey in opposition.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

Downtown Development Authority request for Thursday evening events.

Bill Theroux, Downtown Development Authority Director stated that the Getdown events every third Thursday had been quite successful. He requested to have events every Thursday evening. The first Thursday would be Family night having "Garage Bands" with competition for the best band. The second Thursday would be swing, jazz and blues music and the fourth Thursday would be an antique and classic car show.

He requested closing down Old Main Street every Thursday for six months.

(Tape2, Side B)

Discussion: Closing off Old Main Street.

Stipulations: 1. To advise (30) thirty days in advance to the Council as to the closure of Old Main Street and the events scheduled for the upcoming month. 2. Absence of conflict with the auditorium.

Motion to approve the request from January to June with the two stipulations was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Golden and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

2003 City Council meeting dates.

Discussion: Alternative one (Every two weeks starting with October 22, 2003) or Alternative two (One meeting in the month of November, 2003 and December, 2003).

Motion to approve Alternate two was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Councilman Gallo and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

Road Closure Request from Mark Rasmus, Heatherwood Homes, Inc.

Mark Rasmus, Heatherwood Homes, Inc. gave a brief detail of the closure on 29th Street East from Manatee Avenue (5th Avenue East) to 6th Avenue East in order to reconstruct and improve 29th Street East. He requested the closure from January 2nd to February 14th, 2003.

Discussion: **Stipulation** to work out details with the Public Works, Fire and Police Departments for the road closure to proceed as quickly as possible and to advise the City Clerk should the road be closed longer than anticipated.

Motion to approve the request with the stipulation was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Golden and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING JEFF RAGAN TO THE FIRE PENSION BOARD FOR THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA AND DEFINING HIS TERM.

No discussion followed.

Motion to approve the resolution was made by Vice Mayor Weaver, seconded by Councilman Gallo and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

**Community Development Block Grant Program
Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report-CAPER**

NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Bradenton has prepared its Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER) report for the Community Development Block Grant Program for fiscal year commencing October 1, 2001 and ending September 30, 2002. A public hearing will be held on Wednesday, December 18, 2002, at 6:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers at City Hall, 101 Old Main Street, to consider oral and written comments on the Community Development Block Grant Program Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER).

Mr. Callahan stated that this report gave details of the program and requested approval to transmit the report to Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Mayor Poston opened the public hearing and requested anyone who wishes to speak on this issue to please come forward. No one came forward.

Mayor Poston closed the public hearing.

Motion to approve the request was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Vice Mayor Weaver and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

A request from the Neighborhood Leadership Initiative by Cynthia Newell to hold a "Kwanzaa" African American Holiday and Community Celebration at Lazier Park-13th Avenue East on December 28, 2002 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

No discussion followed.

Motion to approve the request was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A FLEXIBLE BENEFIT PLAN FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Discussion: Effective date January 1, 2003.

Motion to approve the resolution with the effective date of January 1, 2003 was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Vice Mayor Weaver and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

Winter Wonderland, Inc. is requesting permission to hold their 2003 celebration on Thursday, December 4th, Friday, December 5th and Saturday, December 6th .

Discussion: Revisions for public events to work in conjunction with the auditorium events.

Motion to approve the request was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Councilman Gallo and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

The Florida Heritage Festival is requesting permission for their 2003 celebrations for the Seafood Festival, Grand Parade, Sunrise Service, Festival of Flowers and Oktoberfest.

No discussion followed.

Motion to approve the Grand Parade and Sunrise Service was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Weaver and carried 5-0 for approval.

Rob Bell representing the Florida Heritage Festival stated that the Oktoberfest had been withdrawn at this time due to a lack of a site plan. He stated that currently the police department was reviewing the site plans for Seafood Festival and Festival of Flowers. He requested approval pending the police department approval.

Charlie Price, Harbor Master Twin Dolphin Marina representing the owners of Twin Dolphin and the residents of Twin Dolphin Marina voiced his concern from the destruction caused by some of the past events and parking problems that effected the marina.

Motion to approve the Seafood Festival and Festival of Flowers pending approval by the police department was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Weaver and carried 4-1 with Councilman Golden in opposition.

(Tape 3, Side 1)

John Cumming

3rd Avenue West “Part C” Improvements

Mr. Cumming stated that Jones, Edmunds & Associates had been working with Woodruff & Sons, Inc. on a change order to extend the improvements from 3rd Street West to U.S. 41. He stated the total change order addition would be \$383,769.93. He stated Woodruff & Sons had agreed to maintain the same unit price that was on the original bid. He requested approval for this change order.

Motion to approve the request was made by Vice Mayor Weaver, seconded by Councilman Gallo and carried 5-0 for approval.

Mr. Callahan read the following:

A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING HARRY BAKKER AND JAMES J. HEAGERTY JR. TO THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA AND DEFINING THEIR TERM.

No discussion followed.

Motion to approve the resolution was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Councilman Smith and carried 5-0 for approval.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Carl Callahan

Mr. Callahan thanked all those who participated in adopting 160 children by giving Christmas gifts to children who would normally not have a Christmas.

Mark Souders

Nothing to report.

Staci Nelms

Mrs. Nelms stated that the Eden training began this week.

Michael Radzilowski

Chief Radzilowski stated that additional law enforcement was continued on 14th Street.

John Cumming

Mr. Cumming stated that Christmas garbage pick up would be Tuesday, December 24, 2002 even though it was considered a holiday for the city employees.

Larry Frey

Mr. Frey gave a brief report on the Monk Building.

Bill Lisch

Mr. Lisch stated that the City had recently approved a franchise fee for People Gas. He requested the authorization for the City Clerk to send a letter of acceptance. He stated that payments would begin at the next billing period.

Motion to approve the request was made by Councilman Golden, seconded by Vice Mayor Weaver and carried 5-0 for approval.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Poston adjourned the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

NOTE: This is not a verbatim record. An audio tape recording of the meeting is available upon request.