

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
March 24, 2010**

APPROVED BY  
April 14, 2010  
CITY COUNCIL

The City of Bradenton City Council met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chamber, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida on March 24, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

**Present:** Mayor Wayne Poston; Councilman Ward I Gene Gallo; Councilwoman Ward II Marianne Barnebey; Councilman Ward III Patrick Roff; Councilman Ward IV Bemis Smith and Vice Mayor and Councilman Ward V Harold E. Byrd, Jr.

**City Officials:** Carl Callahan, City Clerk and Treasurer/Chief of Staff; Claude Tankersley, Public Works Director; William Lisch, City Attorney; Mark Souders, Fire Chief; Michael Radzilowski, Police Chief; Tim Polk, Department of Planning and Community Development Director; Staci Cross, Information Technology Director, and Carolyn Moore, Human Resources Director.

**Press:** The Herald and The Bradenton Times.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Poston.  
Invocation led by Dr. Joey Mimbs, Bethel Baptist Church.  
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Poston.

PROCLAMATIONS

WATER CONSERVATION MONTH PROCLAMATION - APRIL, 2010

NATIONAL TARTAN DAY PROCLAMATION – APRIL 6, 2010

APRIL FAIR HOUSING MONTH PROCLAMATION – APRIL, 2010

*Mr. Callahan administered the oath to any individuals who wished to speak on any non-agenda items and during the public hearings.*

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No one came forward.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Minutes of March 10, 2010.
- b) Surplus of 30 sections of unusable fire hose.
- c) MB.10.0041 Request for one-year extension of time for preliminary approval of Lago's Four Seasons of Village Green, 1401 Village Green Parkway.
- d) MB.10.0043 Request for one-year extension of time for preliminary approval of Tropicana Mfg. Co., 1001 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue East.
- e) RESOLUTION 10-12 approving Housing Opportunities for people with AIDS (HOPWA) Grantee Re-Designation Agreement.

No discussion followed.

**MOTION TO APPROVE the Consent Agenda Items a – e was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and passed 4-0 for approval. Councilman Smith was absent from voting.**

## BUSINESS/ADVERTISING, PETITIONS, HEARINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS

### **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2915**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, AMENDING THAT ORDINANCE NO. 2912 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, BY REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT THAT APPOINTMENT OF A SPECIAL MASTER TO HEAR APPEALS OF VIOLATIONS OF "THE CITY OF BRADENTON TRAFFIC LIGHT SAFETY ACT" BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING IN THE FLORIDA BAR ASSOCIATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST READING and set the second reading and public hearing on April 14, 2010 of Ordinance 2915 was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd and passed 4-0 for approval. Councilman Smith was absent from voting.**

## NEW BUSINESS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS, CITY ATTORNEY AND COUNCIL

No new business.

### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Councilman Gene Gallo, Ward I:** Nothing to report.

**Councilwoman Marianne Barnebey, Ward II:** As the newly elected chairperson of the Manatee County Library Board of Trustees, Councilwoman Barnebey reported there was no state money budgeted for aid to be given to the local libraries.

Due to the current economy there was a possibility that no funds would be allocated to assist local libraries. She appealed to the community, that if they believe libraries are an important part of the community, to please contact their legislative representatives: Representative Galvano, Representative Reagan and Senator Bennett and ask them to leave allocated funds in the library account to keep these funds available in the state budget, as it would be hard to obtain these funds in the future.

Councilwoman Barnebey stated that she understood at the last Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) meeting a budget committee had moved \$200,000 from the Transportation Trust Fund into some other fund, unknown to her at this time. She stated she was confused as to how money could be moved from a "Trust Fund," but that with the currently approved MPO roadway projects, it would take 63 years to fund these projects at the current funding rate.

Councilwoman Barnebey stated she received an email requesting a Letter of Support from the City of Bradenton for the Volunteers of America of Florida, pending an application to the Department of Veterans Affairs for a 20 bed facility. Councilwoman Barnebey stated there were some homeless Veterans in the city limits that could be benefitted by this project.

**REQUEST MADE by the Department of Veterans Affairs to email a Letter of Support expressing the City of Bradenton's support for 20 transitional housing and supportive service beds for homeless veterans in Manatee County for a 12 unit small apartment complex located off 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue just west of US 41.**

Mayor Poston stated he was on the Florida Consumer Council Advisory Group and would ask the group to research these funds to make sure they were indeed allocated for this project.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE Mayor Poston after research was completed to his satisfaction, to write a "Letter of Support" for Volunteers of America for Florida's application to the Department of Veterans' Affairs Grant & Per Diem project for 20 transitional housing and supportive service beds for homeless veterans in Manatee County was made by Councilwoman Barnebey, seconded by Councilman Gallo and passed 4-0 for approval. Councilman Smith was absent from voting.**

**Councilman Patrick Roff, Ward III:** Advised all citizens in Wards 2 and 3 to be on alert for suspicious activity or people in the neighborhoods as there have been a number of burglaries in these areas. He stated the police department was aware of this and asked citizens to please contact the police should anyone see anything suspicious.

**Councilman Bemis Smith, Ward IV:** Announced the Seafood Festival would be held this weekend. He stated he had been working closely on a plan with the police department, Hugh Miller, Mattson's Restaurant, the marina and the DeSoto Festival Committee on the parking situation in the downtown area. He stated this would be used as a prototype for all future large events held in the downtown area.

**Vice Mayor and Councilman Harold Byrd, Jr., Ward V:** Reminded everyone that the census was in the middle of the 2010 Census with all the questionnaires distributed. He stated there was a helpline phone # 1-866-872-6868 to answer any questions. He stated on April 10, 2010 "March to the Mail Box" would be held to inform people how important it was to complete the census as it was vitally important for an accurate count of citizens in the community. He stated this information affected many important factors such as the number of seats in the House of Representatives and the Senate, and the annual allocation of federal funding to name a few.

Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd announced the 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue United Community Center's annual "Ribfest" fundraiser would be held the weekend of April 9 -11, 2010 with Charlie Daniels as the special headliner of the event.

Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd stated as a Southeast High School graduate and FFA member, he was looking forward to attending the Southeast High School 50<sup>th</sup> year banquet.

**Mayor Wayne Poston:** Announced that the Pirates Spring Training season was ending and the Bradenton Marauders would be opening their inaugural season on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Carl Callahan: Referred to a memorandum dated March 24, 2010 which stated that the following additional agenda items would be brought forth.

**REQUEST to offer a loan to the Community Redevelopment Agency (CCRA) of \$ 1 million to provide final funding for the closeout of the Norma Lloyd Park Project with amended contractual terms.**

Mr. Callahan gave a brief overview of the amended terms in the contract.

**MOTION TO APPROVE the request made by CCRA with the recommendations made by Carl Callahan with amended terms of the contract was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd and passed 5-0 for approval.**

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**RESOLUTION 10-14**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, NAMING A NEW STREET AS MATZKE WAY AND AN ADDRESS OF ONE (1) MATZKE WAY, BRADENTON, FLORIDA 34208, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Callahan stated the request came from the Manatee County School District to name an internal street in the Matzke Support Center currently at 2802 27<sup>th</sup> Street East.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 10-14 was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd and passed 5-0 for approval.**

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**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2916**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 50, SECTION 50-36 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON PROHIBITING THE BACKING OF ANY VEHICLES TO ANY PARKING SPACE INCLUDING THOSE PARKING SPACES WITHIN AND WITHOUT PARKING GARAGES WHEN SUCH PARKING IS DESIGNATED AS BEING PROHIBITED; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Manatee County Commissioner Carol Whitmore, as one of six known county commissioners and an official who backs into their designated parking spaces, asked if this ordinance applied to the commissioners and county official with dedicated parking spaces.

Mr. Callahan stated these parking spaces were not part of the city metered parking spaces.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST READING and set the second reading and public hearing for April 14<sup>th</sup> of Ordinance 2916 was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd and passed 5-0 for approval.**

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**REQUEST MADE BY THE SOUTH FLORIDA MUSEUM to temporarily close off approximately 30 parking spaces on the east side of 10<sup>th</sup> Street West between 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Barcarrota Boulevard on Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for valet parking for a fundraising event.**

No discussion followed.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST made by the South Florida Museum for temporary closure of 30 parking spaces on 10<sup>th</sup> Street was made by Councilwoman Barnebey, seconded by Councilman Roff and passed 5-0 for approval.**

**Chief Souders:** Nothing to report.

**Staci Cross:** Nothing to report.

**Chief Radzilowski:** Congratulated Spelling Bee winner, Vincent Franco, an 8<sup>th</sup> grader from Haile Middle School who will go on to participate in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.

**Claude Tankersley:** Reported that the city has benefited from the stimulus funding in 3 projects totaling \$12 million. He gave a brief overview of the SR 64 east pipeline project, the beginning of the Manatee Avenue East project and the Wares Creek bridge project.

**Tim Polk:** Nothing to report.

**Bill Lisch:** Nothing to report.

**Carolyn Moore:** Nothing to report.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Poston adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

NOTE: This is not a verbatim record. An audio CD or DVD recording of the meeting is available for a fee upon request.