

Minutes
Planning and Zoning Commission
November 1, 2012 - 10 AM
City Commission Chambers
City Hall, Sanford, Florida

Members Present

Jerry Mills, Chairman
Steve Esler, Vice Chairman
Eddie Green
Michael Padgett
Steve Newton
Michael Loader

Members Absent

Lindsay Oyewale - excused

Others Present

Norton N. Bonaparte, Jr., City Manager
Nick Mcray, Economic Development Director
Lonnie Groot, Assistant City Attorney
Russ Gibson, Director of Planning and Development Services
Dave Richards, Development Services Manager
Mary Moskowitz, Planner
Mary Muse, Administrative Coordinator

Mr. Mills called the meeting to order at 10 AM.

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

Mr. Loader moved to approve the Minutes of the October 18, 2012 Regular Meeting. Mr. Esler seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Economic Development Director Nick Mcray informed the board Renaissance Visioning will be holding a group discussion regarding the “vision” and priorities for Sanford and the board’s feedback will be considered in the “Imagine Sanford” project.

City Manager Norton N. Bonaparte, Jr. stated this is an exciting opportunity for Sanford to decide how we want Sanford to look. There is an active campaign involving the residents defining what we want Sanford to be and thanked the board for their participation in the project.

Economic Development Director Nick Mcray introduced consultant Whit Blanton of Renaissance Planning Group. Mr. Blanton requested the board's input regarding their "vision" and priorities for Sanford, which will be considered in the "Imagine Sanford" project.

Topics of discussion included: the need for activities and development along the waterfront area, improvement to the Marina area, resurrect a previous project that was planned to bring residential/entertainment/retail to the west side of 17-92, resolve the midge problem, the need to tie the downtown to the waterfront, relocate city hall and the courthouse to allow development opportunities to connect the downtown with the waterfront, the need for a hotel that could offer guest accommodations, convention center and meeting room opportunities, include the entire city and not just the downtown for special events, bring waterways into areas of the city to help bring future development, have a YMCA, use all four forms of transportation, need a secondary level of elected officials that would represent the entire city and not just specific district areas, offer airlines incentives to show a 3-4 minute video about Sanford on the plane before they land, make the main corridors into Sanford clean and attractive, a need for a bike path into Sanford and transit boat dock spaces, consider golf carts to be allowed in the communities, and marketing/advertising is a key factor in bringing people to Sanford.

Citizen Participation

None.

Staff Report

Mr. Gibson thanked the board for their input and informed them there will be a November 15th meeting.

Commissioners Reports

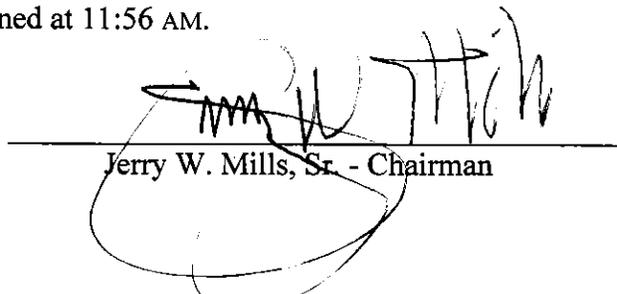
Mr. Loader asked staff if the City works with DOT in regards to the maintenance of the medians along SR 46 and Sanford Avenue. Mr. Gibson stated he would follow up with DOT and report back.

After discussion regarding changes needed in the Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Mr. Newton made a motion to correct the wording on the first page as it relates to changing The Villages to City of Sanford. Mr. Padgett seconded. Motion carried 5-1, Mr. Esler against.

After discussion regarding the future land use designation change for the area around the Tanner project/Airport area, Mr. Newton made a motion to amend the land use designation from ROI to AIC. Mr. Loader seconded. Motion carried 5-1, Mr. Esler against.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:56 AM.



Jerry W. Mills, Sr. - Chairman