



CITY OF HOLLY HILL, FLORIDA

CITY COMMISSION

MINUTES • JUNE 14, 2016

City Commission Chamber

Regular City Commission Meeting

7:00 PM

CITY HALL
1065 RIDGEWOOD AVENUE
HOLLY HILL, FL 32117

City Clerk's office: (386) 248-9441 - Fax: (386) 248-9448

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Arthur J. Byrnes	District 1 - Commissioner	Present	
Penny Currie	District 2 - Commissioner	Present	
John F. Capers	District 3 - Commissioner	Present	
Elizabeth Albert	District 4 - Commissioner	Absent	
John Penny	Mayor	Present	

B. Invocation

Mayor Penny led the invocation.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Mayor Penny led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. PRESENTATION

Commissioner Currie made a motion to **EXCUSE** Commissioner Albert from the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Capers.

PASSED, 4-0.

1.

Pat Zuegg Retirement Recognition

(Requested by Steve Aldrich, Police)

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HOLLY HILL, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING PATRICIA "PAT" ZUEGG FOR HER 36 YEARS OF
SERVICE TO THE CITY OF HOLLY HILL AND ITS CITIZENS.**

WHEREAS, Patricia Zuegg began her career with the City of Holly Hill on July 23, 1980 as a clerk typist in the Criminal Investigation Division of the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Pat started each day by arriving to work an hour early to prepare for the day's activities; and

WHEREAS, Pat left the Criminal Investigation Division in March 2006 to accept a promotion as the Police Chief's Administrative Assistant; and

WHEREAS, Pat continued to expand her responsibilities within her role as the Police Chief's Administrative Assistant for the next 10 years as she selflessly served the City of Holly Hill and its citizens with a high level of integrity, professionalism, and commitment; and

WHEREAS, Pat's pledge to working with staff at every level in the organization, helped to foster an environment of dedicated public servants; and

WHEREAS, Pat is respected by the City of Holly Hill staff and its citizens for her belief that every person is important and has something to offer for the good of all; and

WHEREAS, Pat has proven to be a dependable employee, dedicated worker and a friend to all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLY HILL, FLORIDA, HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES ITS GRATEFUL APPRECIATION OF PATRICIA "PAT" ZUEGG FOR HER 36 YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO THE CITY OF HOLLY HILL AND WISH HER WELL IN HER RETIREMENT AND THROUGH HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION, ADOPTED THIS 14TH DAY OF JUNE, 2016.



3. RECESS THE CC MTG & CONVENE AS THE CRA

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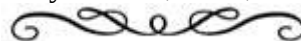
Overhead to Underground - Purchase of Materials from FPL, West Side

(Requested by Mark Juliano, Public Works)

Mayor Penny opened public participation. No one spoke.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	Arthur J. Byrnes, District 1 - Commissioner
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

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4. ADJOURN THE CRA & RECONVENE THE CC MTG

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following individuals spoke to the Mayor and City Commissioners:

Jim Schultz, 117 Herbert Drive, Ormond Beach, stated that he sent an email to the Mayor and Commissioners pertaining to an FDA action that was taken this year which is a prescription drug fluoride tablet for the treatment of dental hygiene. Mr. Schultz mentions a letter to Kirkman Laboratories about the unapproved prescription drug fluoride and the application in 1975 was rescinded because they couldn't prove safety and benefit. Dental fluorosis (DF) is a condition in which the teeth become discolored, displaying a white or brown mottling pattern and forming brittle teeth that break and stain easily. Mr. Schultz stated that there is more in the email that he sent on this.

Jim Legary, 342 Burleigh Avenue, Holly Hill, stated the situation in Orlando, he found it extremely interesting that this man was an employee of one of the operations that we send all over the country, all over the world to protect American citizens. We've sent these people to Iraq and Afghanistan and all of these places without any supervision whatsoever and he seemed to be the most efficient killer that we've had in America. There is little supervision for these budgets. There is absolutely no work on the homeland security people. It was his understanding that in order to work for these things you had to be tested and you had to be trained and you had to be all of these things.

Commissioner Currie asked Mr. Legary if he was talking about the security company that the guy worked for?

Mr. Legary stated, yes. Its one of the largest...

Commissioner Currie stated largest security firm.

Mr. Legary stated its one of the largest in the world.

Commissioner Currie stated she just wanted clarification.

Mr. Legary stated and they send the people to do...Blackwater sent, he thinks, several hundred people to Katrina. We send these people to look after these situations and apparently their sole interest is collecting...

Commissioner Currie stated she finds it more interesting that the FBI looked at him twice and decided there was nothing more to look at.

Mr. Legary stated he heard on a radio station that his wife had been instructed by the FBI not to disclose that he was gay.

Commissioner Currie stated it was definitely a sad event.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1.

Minutes - Special Meeting - May 17, 2016 and May 24, 2016 - Regular City Commission Meeting

(Requested by Valerie Manning, City Clerk)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Arthur J. Byrnes, District 1 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	Penny Currie, District 2 - Commissioner
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

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7. CONSENT AGENDA - ITEMS (1 - 6)

Mayor Penny asked if there was any member from the audience who wanted to speak to any item on the Consent Agenda and if any member of the Commission would like to pull an item to further discuss it.

The following individual spoke to the Mayor and City Commission regarding item number #2.

Jim Legary, 342 Burleigh Avenue, Holly Hill, stated he is interested in how the people get to the Salvation Army. Is it the one on Beach Street, is the one out on LPGA Blvd.? How do they get there?

Mayor Penny stated its the one on Ballough.

Commissioner Capers asked to pull item number #2 and Commissioner Byrnes asked to pull item number #5 for further discussion.

Discussion on Item #2 - Emergency Homeless Assistance Shelter Funding

Commissioner Capers stated he was wondering what's the amount that the City decided was going to contribute?

Mayor Penny stated \$15,000 for one time for 90 days.

Commissioner Capers asked where does that money go?

Mayor Penny stated the Salvation Army is providing the services.

Commissioner Capers stated so it goes there and they decide where it goes as they feel is necessary for the community to help the homeless.

Mayor Penny stated its called the Bridge Program and there's emergency beds set up at the Ballough facility right now. When they had the crisis on Beach Street those people were either relocated and the ones that weren't relocated go through the Salvation Army on Ballough and the goal is that they don't live there but they go in there get the services and move on.

Commissioner Capers stated there's been a lot of talk back and forth about the old school becoming a temporary or permanent...is that happening?

Mayor Penny asked if he was talking about Hurst Elementary?

Commissioner Capers stated, yes.

Mayor Penny stated that comes before the County Council this Thursday for a rezoning.

Commissioner Capers asked if we have input on that? Are the folks who live in that neighborhood have input on that?

Mr. Forte stated we, as a city, do not. Its outside our jurisdiction but he believes that the County did have some community meetings that were widely attended. He wasn't there so he doesn't know but he does get reports back that there was a lot of opposition to it but its outside the city's jurisdiction, its in the unincorporated area. He will remind the Commission

though that part of our CDBG funding this current year will go towards the operation of that facility if its approved by the County.

Mayor Penny stated and the way he understands it the major opposition was the idea that they will be a health clinic facility place there and at this time he thinks that's been removed from the proposal.

Commissioner Capers made a motion to **APPROVE** the **Emergency Homeless Assistance Shelter Funding**, seconded by Commissioner Byrnes.
PASSED, 4-0.

Discussion on Item #5 - Volusia Governments Water Compact

Commissioner Byrnes stated he was basically going to say that it seems like a pretty good idea. Its not tying the city to anything. Its just a statement of "here's what we're going to try and do. We're going to try and do the water better. We're going to try and have better communications between the cities, actually between the east and the west because the palmetto curtain seems to be still there and folks are a little concerned that the governments may not be communicating. He didn't sign it when he was there but a lot of the other cities signed it because he didn't want to speak for the whole Commission because he felt it was important that the whole Commission get input. It didn't commit the city to having to do stuff but some of the wording in there may be "well you signed this so you should help us out", he didn't want to get the city to that point. He thinks its a worthy document and we should sign it and continue on.

Mayor Penny forgot to open up Item #2 for public comment. Would anyone like to speak to Item #5, Water Compact?

Jim Legary, 342 Burleigh Avenue, Holly Hill, asked Commissioner Byrnes if he could elaborate on what they say they are going to do? It seems to him like this is the third or fourth water situation.

Mayor Penny stated this is different.

Commissioner Byrnes stated this is a little bit different. This is not as much focused on the ground water and the well water. This is focused more on the fact that whether you believe its global warmer or believe its climate change, there is large portions of evidence, photographical evidence, that shows waters are rising. They had some pictures of Miami where, in south Florida, where the water is rising and it makes streets unusable, it floods parking garages. The concern is that's just happening from a lunar high tide. If we were to get something like a big storm surge, its possible that whole portions of Florida would go under water. If they historically look at the maps of Florida it used to be a lot smaller peninsula coming off the US because hotter periods the high tide were higher so a lot of the focus on this is to say, "okay, how can we move that water so its not bothering people and how can we help stop this from happening. Its not a global warming stopping but they know the water is coming, how do we stop it and how do we let people build. One of the solutions that Miami did was the parking garage that flooded during those seasons they just closed it to cars and he thinks they allowed them to put another entrance in because you would go down and go up and he thinks they allowed them some special zoning and said, "okay, here's what you need

to still be able to use the facility". It was pretty frightening stuff to see and if it hadn't been real pictures and real Florida, he wouldn't have believed it.

Mayor Penny stated Commissioner Byrnes is right on target. That was mostly the interest of the south Florida Water Compact. This comes to the Commission through the Florida League of Cities. South Florida was experiencing the rise in tide levels and what the city is trying to mainly focus on here is Mosquito Lagoon and the septic tank discharge into our water systems. He thinks Mr. Forte has a list of the items. The idea is that rather than go competing against Holly Hill, competing against Ormond Beach for federal funding and each one might get \$40,000, if we can come together as a county and collectively the communities come together and lobby some real money and we don't fight against each other, we will prioritize and say, "Oakhill has a really bad problem, north peninsula has a really bad problem, so they will let north peninsula get all the funding this year and they'll let Oakhill get next year", so they're not fighting against each other. When they have everyone fighting for the same piece of pie, nothing really gets accomplished. The theory was if they can combine their efforts and work together they can eat the elephant together one bite at a time.

Mr. Legary stated is he not right in saying that this is like the third...

Mayor Penny stated no, this is completely different.

Mr. Legary stated he read a book last week written in 1993 which was discussing all of the problems that we have failed to address with Mosquito Lagoon. He used to go there when he was a kid and catch all kinds of fish. You wouldn't eat the fish now. This is what he's saying. This is a long time. He also understands that we have something now, like 60% of what we used to have in the aquifer. If they have the rising tides, they don't seem to be addressing it very well.

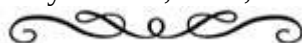
Commissioner Capers made a motion to **APPROVE** the **Volusia Governments Water Compact**, seconded by Commissioner Byrnes.
PASSED, 4-0.

1.

Overhead to Underground - Purchase of Materials from FPL, West Side
(Requested by Mark Juliano, Public Works)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	Arthur J. Byrnes, District 1 - Commissioner
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

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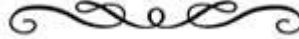


2.

Emergency Homeless Assistance Shelter Funding
(Requested by Joseph Forte, City Manager)

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AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

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3.

Special Assessment Agreement with Property Appraiser
(Requested by Kurt Swartzlander, Finance)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	Arthur J. Byrnes, District 1 - Commissioner
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

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4.

Waste Management CPI Change Effective 10/1/16
(Requested by Kurt Swartzlander, Finance)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner
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ABSENT:	Albert

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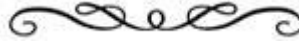


5.

Volusia Governments Water Compact
(Requested by Valerie Manning, City Clerk)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	Arthur J. Byrnes, District 1 - Commissioner
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

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6.

Purchase of Zero Turn Radius Commercial Grade Mowers (16BG09)
(Requested by Mark Juliano, Public Works)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	Arthur J. Byrnes, District 1 - Commissioner
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

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8. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Resolution

Ross Point Playground - CDBG - Resolution 2016-R-22

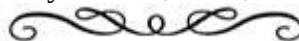
(Requested by Mark Juliano, Public Works)

Mayor Penny opened public participation. No one spoke.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Penny Currie, District 2 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

RESOLUTION

Enacted and approved this 14th day of June, 2016, in Holly Hill



2. Resolution

Resolution 2016-R-23 A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Holly Hill, Florida, Authorizing the City Manager to Appropriate Additional Funds for the Calle Grande Fec Railway Annual License Fee, Required by New Calle Grande License Agreement, and to Provide Park Impact Fee Funds for the Balance of the 7Th Street Neighborhood Park Project Not Funded by Frdap Grant, Providing for Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date.

(Requested by Kurt Swartzlander, Finance)

Mayor Penny opened public participation. No one spoke.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Arthur J. Byrnes, District 1 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

RESOLUTION

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9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Ordinance

An Ordinance of the City of Holly Hill, Florida Amending Chapter 42, Pensions and Retirement; Article Iii, Firefighters' Pension; Division 1. Generally of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Holly Hill, Florida; Amending Section 42-61, Definitions by Amending the Definitions of "Actuarial Equivalent", "Credited Service", "Firefighter", "Salary" and "Spouse"; Amending Section 42-62, Membership, Amending Section 42-66, Benefit Amounts and Eligibility; Amending Section 42-68, Disability; Amending Section 42-70, Optional Forms of Benefits; Amending Section 42-75, Maximum Pension; Amending Section 42-87, Prior Fire Service; Amending Section 42-88 Deferred Retirement Option Plan; Adding Section 42-90, Supplemental Benefit Component for Special Benefits; Chapter 175 Share Accounts; Providing for Severability of Provisions; Providing for Codification; Repealing All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith and Providing an Effective Date.

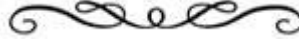
(Requested by Kurt Swartzlander, Finance)

Mayor Penny opened public participation. No one spoke.

RESULT:	ADOPTED AT 2ND READING [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	Arthur J. Byrnes, District 1 - Commissioner
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny
ABSENT:	Albert

ORDINANCE

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2. Ordinance

Ordinance No. 2975 An Ordinance of the City of Holly Hill, Florida, Amending Chapter 62 (Taxation), Article Ii (Local Business Tax Receipt), Section 42 (Schedule of Tax Rates) to Increase the Tax Rate; Providing for Conflicting Ordinances; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.

(Requested by Kurt Swartzlander, Finance)
Mayor Penny opened public participation.

The following individual spoke to the Mayor and City Commission:

Jim Legary, 342 Burleigh Avenue, Holly Hill, asked how much more are they going to increase these fees?

Mayor Penny stated 5%.

Mr. Legary asked and this is going to last how long before they increase the fees again?

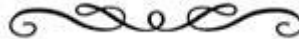
Mr. Forte stated, two years.

Mayor Penny closed public participation.

RESULT:	APPROVED AT 1ST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/28/2016 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Penny Currie, District 2 - Commissioner	
SECONDER:	John F. Capers, District 3 - Commissioner	
AYES:	Byrnes, Currie, Capers, Penny	
ABSENT:	Albert	

ORDINANCE

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10. COMMUNICATIONS**a. City Manager & Staff Comments**

Mr. Forte stated several months ago the Commission authorized the application for the ECHO grant that Beth Lemke has been working on and the city did receive a grant from the County in the amount of \$327,690 and its time now to take formal action to accept the grant and he is asking for the Commission to give him that verbal authorization to sign and accept that grant and he will put it on the agenda for the next meeting so that its part of public record and will say what the grant is but for the Commissions information its for accepting that \$327,690 for the construction portion of Sunrise Park south boat ramp park improvement. Once he gets that signed it will go off to the County. Time is of the essence that's why he needs the Commission's approval on it tonight and then they will put it on the agenda for public record at the next meeting.

There was **CONSENSUS** from the Commission for the City Manager to sign and accept the grant.

Mr. Forte stated he spoke to each of the Commissioners about the Suntrail project and this is the widening of Riverside Drive sidewalk from its current size which in some areas may be six or eight feet to a total of twelve feet. As he mentioned to each of the Commissioners between 7th Street south to 3rd Street there's plenty of room to widen the sidewalk. There's a lot of complications when you go north of 7th Street do to lack of right-of-way, where the water is very close to the sidewalk, there are some docks that would be within that twelve foot area because of the close proximity and then there's trees and in some areas to the north there are properties that are very close to the sidewalk but there's really no room and it makes it extremely difficult. When he spoke with each of the Commissioners he thought this was something that he doesn't think the community would like. The money would come from State and Federal dollars. He doesn't think anybody wants to see trees torn down, he doesn't think there's a big demand for widening that sidewalk although its very popular and used quite often. One of the things he spoke to Beth Lemke about was instead of him just making that arbitrary comment what they could do is go through this phase of process and do a feasibility study to determine what the needs would be and then host public meetings to get the public input as to whether or not they want to see based on the feasibility study, see that trail extended. The issue with this trail is it runs from the northeast down to the Keys and the mile in a half, two miles that are in Holly Hill are part of that trail. It comes down A1A and it comes over onto the city's side. It doesn't come down A1A and go to Daytona Beach and that area. He would hate to not do it but he doesn't feel comfortable saying they should do it because of the conditions that are out there. There are not really favorable conditions and he certainly wouldn't recommend realigning the road. That, to him, is just a very expensive, inefficient problem. He is asking the Commission tonight and he only got this from Beth Lemke today to say maybe they should do a feasibility study and let the feasibility study determine whether or not its something the city should do rather than an unformed, uneducated opinion without the facts.

Commissioner Currie stated its not just a feasibility study to see about widening a sidewalk. It would be a feasibility study to see about widening a sidewalk for a trail that would allow the city then to obtain various grant monies because the city would be a part of a huge trail system within the State of Florida that they have the workings that are

coming from Titusville up through the southern part of our county from the west part of our county over so that there's a whole network of systems of this trail within our county already plus other connecting factors that are in the works through the TPO to make this all connect so its not just about a sidewalk for the feasibility study. It would be worth looking into for the ability of future grant monies and for the ability of the city to possibly to have these trail riders come into the community, spend time in the community, possibly economic wise spend dollars in the community. She thinks there is more of a benefit for the feasibility study.

Mr. Forte stated and doing the feasibility study doesn't commit the city to doing anything further. It just provides the city with facts and information as to whether or not this a direction the city could choose to go. He thinks a lot of it is going to come down to whether the community wants to see that happen as well.

Mayor Penny stated it seems prudent to gather more information because no of them are experts on trails. Something of this magnitude doesn't seem like its fair for the city to just throw it out.

Mr. Forte stated its a little bit more than the conversations he's had with the Mayor in his office because he wasn't aware they could do the feasibility study at the time.

Mayor Penny stated it makes sense.

Commissioner Currie stated there's a lot to the trails.

Commissioner Capers stated to him, a lot of the government waste is taking a beautiful sidewalk, like they have now, its not busted up, its not ancient, it doesn't need repairs and to rip out and put a sidewalk that's wider, it doesn't make any sense to him, especially if they are talking about chopping down trees. When they look at the old Donnie Moore address, for example, from the point forward, he doesn't know how they would put a twelve foot wide sidewalk and the point from what he understands, is they can't pick and choose, they can't go what twelve foot works and leave what they have and they can't also add any widening to the existing which also would be kind of crazy because if they are going down there on a skateboard or roller blades and they have the seam down the middle. Personally, he would like to find out what the feasibility study is going to cost.

Mr. Forte stated the feasibility study won't cost the city or the taxpayers anything because it comes out of the grant.

Commissioner Capers stated to him, the city is still going to be a piece of the pie. One may not be twelve feet long but if someone decides they are going to take the trail from Keywest and go to New York, they're still going to go down Riverside Drive. Its not going to be twelve foot wide. The city may not have the little markers that say we're officially part of the Suntrail but the city will be a part of the Suntrail.

Commissioner Currie stated actually we're not.

Mr. Forte stated he can't guarantee that. They may relocate that portion either to the beach side in Daytona or re-route it some place else. The feasibility study would be \$175,000 from the grant that's available.

Commissioner Byrnes stated but its not the city's money.

Mr. Forte stated its not the city's direct money that the taxpayers pay into the city but anytime they have a grant, the grant comes from taxpayers somewhere, somehow.

Commissioner Currie stated the trails, the actual width of the trail, is ten to twelve feet wide for a trail. For it to be classified as a trail. She doesn't know what the city has out on Riverside Drive. The feasibility study will let them know what's available and also, what the public would like. She doesn't want to make the decision and she knows none of the Commissioners want to make a decision without knowing what they have available out there and what the public would be interested in. She does know from being on the TPO Board that there are grant monies available if the city has that trail. The way it sits as it is, they don't. That's all she can tell them from being on the TPO Board. The way it sits right now, they have no grant monies available to them.

Commissioner Capers stated but the way he understood it was that the city needed to be that ten to twelve feet wide from one end to the other and if the city already knows that it can't do it without realigning the road and spending all this extra money realigning the road....

Commissioner Currie stated but they don't know that.

Mayor Penny stated that's what the feasibility study would tell them.

Commissioner Capers stated, okay.

Mr. Forte stated one of the solutions that they gave him, like where the water's edge comes up close to the existing sidewalk, they could put in a boardwalk bridge, something like what the city has between 10th and 11th Streets by LPGA. There are challenges where Commissioner Moore used to live. There is a retaining wall or a wall up there that's very close to the sidewalk. The solution to that may be buying six feet of property up there in order to make the trail go through but who knows what that cost could be. He doesn't have all those answers but there are going to be challenges north of 7th Street. The trees, the water's edge, property ownership. There are challenges. There are \$50 million dollars worth of grant dollars that are available and its an opportunity that if the city was ever going to do it, this is the time. If not now, never.

Commissioner Capers stated its just a shame this didn't come along before the city did that sidewalk.

Commissioner Currie stated the one thing that she looks at is the ability to have the community be part of a trail that will eventually be a nationwide trail and part of a Floridian trail that would assist with some economic benefit to the businesses. That's the

part that she looks at. The city has businesses that would definitely benefit from what the city would be able to provide but they have to see what the feasibility study says.

Commissioner Capers stated he understands about bringing people to the city and opening their doors and the grants for the future, all that makes sense but if somebody is going to travel a trail they're either walking, biking or some kind of mobile cruising device, they're not going to be stopping in to restaurants, they're not going to be stopping into the grocery stores, he doesn't see it. If you're on a trail...

Commissioner Currie stated they have to stop to get something to eat.

Commissioner Capers asked but what's on Riverside Drive for them to stop?

Commissioner Currie stated there are businesses a block away.

Commissioner Capers stated if they were going down Ridgewood Avenue, were you go right by all the restaurants and the hotel stuff where they might stop and stay...he just doesn't see it.

Mayor Penny stated he envisions the whole Holly Hill rivermart area down there as being an eco-tourism place. If these guys get their business off with the paddle board and kayaks and stuff, people will stop there. People will get something to eat.

Commissioner Capers stated he looks at the old Moore residence, north, and he looks at those homes right across from Flomich, a little bit north of Flomich, their front yard is maybe from here to the wall and now the city is going to take another eight, nine feet out of their front yard, they're not going to be happy with that. Water meters are going to have to be moved.

Commissioner Currie stated Commissioner Capers, that's what the feasibility study is for.

Commissioner Capers stated if its not coming out of our pockets, he guesses, lets let it roll.

Commissioner Currie stated and if they're peddling 100 miles to Ridgewood Avenue to a restaurant is nothing.

Mr. Forte stated he will need to sign and authorize the start of a feasibility study. It will be the Florida Department of Transportation Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail Network Program Regional Trail System Project Information form, part 1.

Commissioner Currie made a motion to **AUTHORIZE** the City Manager to sign the ***Florida Department of Transportation Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail Network Program Regional Trail System Project Information form, part 1, grant dollars in the amount of \$175,000 for the feasibility study for the trail on Riverside Drive,*** Commissioner Byrnes.

Mayor Penny opened the public for participation.

The following individuals spoke to the Mayor and City Commissioners:

Jim Legary, 342 Burleigh Avenue, Holly Hill, stated he would like to volunteer to do part of the feasibility study by reviewing the Commission meetings that they had to build the sidewalk.

Jeff Martin, 934 Jasmine Avenue, Holly Hill, stated while he doesn't oppose the feasibility study itself, its valuable information, they do need that part but is it not the first time that this width of the project been discussed? He thinks its 72 inches right now if he's not mistaken and it was determined then that 72 inches was basically the max that could be achieved on a trail without requiring special permission from the water management district because of the encroachment to the river's edge itself.

Unfortunately, the man that could answer those questions directly is no longer with us, Mr. Sinclair. He was a walking encyclopedia of all of that but he will try to find some information but he thinks the problem is going to be there's about 1,000 to 1300 feet stretch, like Mr. Forte stated, that will be directly impacted by the water management's decision and it would be directly related to the sea walls which is what they thought as the answer to making it enough available property.

PASSED, 3-1. Capers, opposing.

Mr. Forte reminded the Mayor and Commissioners about the upcoming Florida League of Cities annual conference and would like to give the City Clerk direction to get those that want to attend registered. The conference is August 18 - 20, 2016 in Hollywood, FL.

- b. City Attorney Comments
None.

- c. Mayor's Comments
Mayor Penny spoke about the boxcar ceremony that took place this morning, food trucks was a good success, reminded everyone about the Hot Rods on the Hill this coming Saturday, June 18th in Hollyland Park from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, and the movies in the park beginning at 6:30 pm.

- d. District Commissioners Comments
Commissioner Capers spoke about the Kids on the Hill event, good turnout, congratulated Pat on her retirement, attended the box car ceremony, food trucks good turnout, and asked if the City Manager could gather information on the reparian rights to the vacant lots along Riverside Drive and possibly naming the parks that have not been named.
Commissioner Currie congratulated Pat on her retirement, mentioned Bill Kimmy to keep him in their prayers, thanked staff for a job well done at Kids on the Hill event, food trucks great turnout and reminded everyone about movies in the park this coming Saturday.
Commissioner Byrnes enjoyed the food trucks, mentioned the situation in Orlando and the feasibility study for the sidewalk.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:10 PM.


Valerie Manning, City Clerk CMC 6/14/2016


John Penny, Mayor 6/14/2016