

VILLAGE COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING OF APRIL 24, 2015

The Village of Estero Council Workshop meeting was held on this date at the Estero Fire Rescue District Meeting Room, 21500 Three Oaks Parkway, Estero, Florida, with the following Council members present:

Nick Batos – Mayor, District 6
 Howard Levitan – Vice-Mayor, District 2
 Bill Ribble - District 1
 Donald Brown - District 3
 Katy Errington - District 4
 Jim Boesch - District 5
 Jim Wilson - District 7

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Batos called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Interim Village Manager Peter Lombardi called the roll. All Council members were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Batos requested the addition of Item 5(C), a review by Vice-Mayor Levitan of “Village of Estero Cases”. Mr. Wilson moved approval, seconded by Mr. Boesch, called and carried.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

5(A) DISCUSSION – “Working Towards One Goal in Estero”

Ms. Errington read from a prepared statement expressing her excitement about sharing in the Council’s history-making decisions; commenting on the Inaugural Council Meeting; describing her experience with local Association Boards, government and private sector entities; noting the diverse backgrounds of the Council members; and outlining her criteria for deciding how to vote on an issue. She concluded by stating her belief that the Village of Estero is united in working toward one goal of continuing to enhance and maintain the quality of life that the residents have come to enjoy.

5(B) DISCUSSION – Future Workshop Agenda Items

Mayor Batos noted that Interim Village Manager Mr. Lombardi had provided a combined list (copy on file), stated that the purpose was to identify and prioritize workshop items, and suggested that members assign priorities during discussion, and notify Mr. Lombardi after the meeting. He added that he and Mr. Lombardi would develop agendas for future workshops based on members’ responses. Mr. Boesch stated that he wished to add items at the end of the discussion. The members discussed each item, and suggested priorities as indicated below. Each item includes the initials of the Council member(s) who submitted the item.

1. Development Services Director- HL – *Priority 1*
2. Council Responsibilities and Authority on Land Use Cases- NB– *Priority 1* – (Combine with #35)
3. Advisory Committees- NB/DB – *Priority 1*
4. Council Liaison Positions – NB – *Priority 1*
5. 951 and DR/GR- NB – *Priority 1.5* – (Combine with #29)
6. 2015 Budget- NB – *Priority 1* – (5/8 Workshop; Adopt 5/15 Regular meeting)
7. 2016 Budget- NB – *Priority 2*

8. Contract Services With County and/or Private Companies- NB – **Priority undetermined**
9. Purchasing Procedure- NB – **Not needed** – (Mr. Lombardi is drafting a procedure.)
10. Commencement of Camp Plan and LDR's- NB – **Priority undetermined**
11. Zip Codes- NB/DB - **Priority undetermined** – (Appoint liaison)
12. ~~Contract Services with County/Private Contractors – NB – **Duplicate of #8**~~
13. ~~Purchasing Procedure – **Duplicate of #9**~~
14. Process for: Permanent Village Manager and Village Attorney- NB – **Priority 1**
15. Looking for Village Space- NB - **Priority undetermined**
16. Taking Over Roads/Gas Tax- NB - **Priority undetermined** - (Combine with #8)
17. ~~County Services- NB/JW – **Duplicate of #8**~~
18. Web Site- NB – **Not needed** - (Combine with #32; appoint advisory committee & assign liaison)
19. FEMA – NB – **Not needed** – (Mr. Lombardi to provide updated reports.)
20. Policy on Expense Reimbursements- NB – **Not needed** – (Included in Purchasing Procedure)
21. Need for a Traffic Study (Corkscrew Road) - NB – **Not needed** - (Combine with #22 & 23; appoint advisory committee & assign liaison)
22. Impact of Future Developments along Corkscrew Road Outside of Village Borders- NB/JW – **Not needed** - (Combine with #21 & 23; appoint advisory committee & assign liaison)
23. ~~New developments along Corkscrew Road Outside Village Limits – NB – **Duplicate of #22**~~
24. Fertilizer Ordinance- NB – **Priority undetermined** – (Before next Florida legislative session)
25. Capital Project List- NB – **Not needed** – (Included in #7 and #10)
26. TV/Video of Council Meetings – NB - **Priority undetermined** – (After permanent facility obtained)
27. Cash Flow Revenue Check Offs – JW - **Priority 1** – (Combine with #6 and #36)
28. Annexation Policy – JW - **Priority 2 or 3**
29. South Florida Water Management – KE – **Priority 1.5** - (Combine with #5)
30. Old Historic Estero – KE – **Priority undetermined** - (Combine with #31; appoint liaison)
31. Liaison with Koreshan to Improve Entrance along US 41 & Corkscrew Road – KE – **Priority Undetermined** - (Combine with #30; appoint liaison)
32. Website Link to EFRD Emergency Plan/Issues – KE – **Not needed** – (Combine with #18)
33. Vision of Development of Undeveloped Land ON US 41 @ Corkscrew – KE – **Not needed** - (Part of Town Center in Spikowski Plan)
34. Lee Memorial Health System re Healthcare Village- DB – **Priority undetermined** - (Need workshop presentation from LMHS; appoint committee and liaison)
35. Review Procedures and Permitting Developers Must Do Prior to Construction- DB – **Priority 1** (Combine with #2)
36. What Are ALL Potential Village Income Streams and Impact Fees – DB – **Priority 1** – (Combine with #6 and #27)
37. Citizens Town Hall With Q & A- DB – **Low Priority** – (Add to discussion on Public Participation)
38. Public Financing of Council Candidate Campaigns- WR - **Low Priority**

Additional items from Mr. Boesch:

1. Police/public safety, especially hurricane season preparedness – **Not needed** – (Included in #8)
2. Partnership with FGCU Economic Development program – **Priority undetermined** - (Part of overall economic development; assign liaison)
3. Public involvement; e.g., someone who offers to help with the website - **Priority undetermined**

Additional item from Ms. Errington:

1. Grant writing - **Priority undetermined** – (First need project to be funded by grant)

Following discussion of Item 15, the Mayor called for public input; and a resident of Corkscrew Woodlands commented on Item 11 – Zip Codes.

Following discussion of all items, the Mayor called for public input; and the following individuals came forward to comment:

Old Estero resident, Patty Whitehead – Traffic impact study

Villages at Country Creek resident, George Molnar – website issues/assistance, voting process
Estero Council of Community Leaders (ECCL) Chairman Don Eslick – ECCL assistance with
Council workload
Estero Fire Rescue District (EFRD) Chief Scott Vanderbrook – Hurricane management on
Department website

5(C) DISCUSSION – Review of “Village of Estero Cases”

Mayor Batos commented that items not submitted in time to be posted on the website could be formatted as PowerPoint documents for display during the meeting.

Referring to a document entitled “Village of Estero Cases (April 23, 2015)” (copy on file), Vice-Mayor Levitan briefly described the cases listed:

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- Four Comp Plan Amendment Requests: Coconut Crossing, Via Coconut Urban Place, Estero Crossing, and Genova
- Five Zoning Requests: Corkscrew Crossings, Coconut Crossing, Via Coconut MPD, Estero Crossing, North Point, and Genova
- One Development of Regional Impact (DRI) Development Order (DO) Amendment Request: North Point
- One Special Exception Request: Miromar Outlets Consumption on Premises (COP)
- Four Administrative Amendment Requests: Copperleaf at the Brooks, Genova Real Estate Office, Brass Tap, and Timberland & Tiburon Mixed-Use Planned Development (MPD)

He noted that, at this time, only the four highlighted items on Page 1 had been deemed “Sufficient”.

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- Four Environmental Violations: Picaya Bay, Colonial Oaks, Estero Family Health, and Cayo De Estero
- Three Code Violations: Laser Lounge Spa, Village Partners, and CHHLCA Inv.

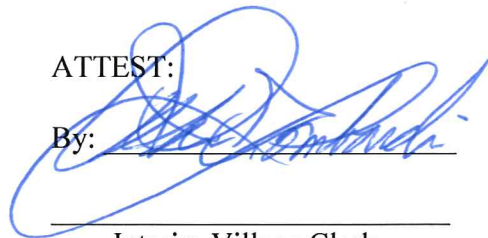
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- Three Development Order Applications: Downtown Estero, Towne Place Suites, and Genova Sales Center
- One Right-of-Way Vacation Request: Miller R/W Vacation
- Two Plats and one Re-Plat: Oaks of Estero and Tidewater; West Bay Club House
- Three Limited Development Order (LDO) Requests: River of Life Church, West Bay Golf Club, and Spring Run Bocce Courts

He pointed out that the Village of Estero would be hearing Administrative Amendments and LDOs; emphasized the huge amount of work that would need to be done; stated that updated lists would be available frequently; and indicated that the first required Council hearing would probably be in July or September.

ADJOURN

After announcing that there would be no Council meetings on May 1, 2015, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 2:34 pm.

ATTEST:
 By: 

 Interim Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA
 By: 

 Mayor