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2 Mr. Paster said DRMP compared other cities. They looked at 20 jurisdictions from  
3 10,000 to 700,000 in population and those rates range from \$1.00 to \$3.75. He showed  
4 a graph of the 20 cities that were looked at in 1991. The red line indicates the dollar  
5 amount of those 20 cities and the black line is \$3.00. Twenty years later we asked what  
6 the stormwater rates were and in 2011 those same 20 averaged \$7.15. That dollar  
7 amount is the monthly rate per equivalent drainage unit. That is what all residents pay  
8 per month. For commercial sites we take how much impervious area there is, we divide  
9 by that square feet per equivalent drainage unit, and come up with the EDUs. He used  
10 5 EDUs as an example so it would be \$3.00 a month times 5 (\$15.00). Commercial  
11 sites are based on the square footage amount.  
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13 Mr. Paster said in the last 20 years everyone has had a rate increase and it has just  
14 about tripled. That's just the 20 that Dyer, Riddle looked at 20 years ago. We also  
15 contacted the Florida Stormwater Association and looked at their information. In 2009  
16 they did a utility survey and we got that information from 75 different utilities. He  
17 showed a plot of the 75 utilities they surveyed and what their rates were in 2009. Lake  
18 Mary is towards the low side (\$3.00) and rates are all the way up to \$12.75, with \$2.00  
19 being on the low end.  
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21 Mr. Paster showed a graph of just the cities in Seminole County. Seminole County  
22 proper does not have a stormwater utility and are funded through their ad valorem  
23 taxes. They do plenty of stormwater work and have a large stormwater department and  
24 just as recently as last year staff brought forward a request to create a stormwater fund  
25 for that utility work and that was not voted in. The average in the County is \$6.50 per  
26 EDU.  
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28 Mr. Paster said another way of looking at this is how often the other cities looked at their  
29 fund. He showed a graph of the years the current rate has been in effect. Just about  
30 everyone in four years has changed their stormwater rates. Sanford changes every  
31 year based on the CPI and they increase a small amount. Lake Mary hasn't touched  
32 theirs since 1993 when we first put our rate in effect.  
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34 Mr. Paster said he had been talking about the rate per month per equivalent drainage  
35 unit that residents have. Another way of looking at it that is more qualitative is looking  
36 at it per square foot. All the commercial sites pay per square foot. You calculate the  
37 impervious area, provide a dividing number and come up with the rate. He showed a  
38 graph showing only three cities out of 75 surveyed in 2009 by the Florida Stormwater  
39 Association that have a lower rate per 1,000 square feet. The reason for this is we have  
40 big houses in Lake Mary. Compared to all the other cities in our county and most cities  
41 in Florida, we have larger houses. We have two and three car garages with large roof  
42 lines, we have some with pools under the roof line, large driveways, large lots with a lot  
43 of impervious area.  
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45 Mr. Paster said he thought it was more fair to do it the square footage way so people  
46 are paying their fair share. Looking at just Seminole County in dollars per square foot,

1 the average of the other six cities is \$2.74. At \$3.00 a month we are paying about 66  
2 cents per 1,000 square foot of impervious area in the City of Lake Mary. Even if we  
3 double our monthly rate to \$1.31 it is still half the average in the rest of the County in  
4 dollars per square foot, which is a direct cost for commercial and it's a fairer way of  
5 looking at it, i.e. if you have a big house with a lot of impervious versus someone in  
6 Casselberry with a 1,200 S.F. house, no garage, and a dirt driveway.

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8 Deputy Mayor Brender asked Mr. Paster if he was talking about doing a single EDU  
9 regardless of size.

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11 Mr. Paster answered affirmatively. Regardless of size every single-family home is one  
12 EDU. Multi-family is looked at differently.

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14 Commissioner Duryea said we are talking about rates for square footage and  
15 comparisons to other cities. The current trend of keeping government out of people's  
16 pockets has gotten him wary of raising rates for any reason, but understanding that this  
17 needs to be looked at. He didn't want the justification for raising it to be because we are  
18 the lowest in Seminole County. He would like it to be enough to cover what we need.

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20 Mr. Paster said we do not base rates on comparisons. This is for informational  
21 purposes only and historically what the City has been doing, where we are and where  
22 we are in Florida. He showed the revenue and expenses of the Stormwater Fund from  
23 2004 to 2010 and projections for the next five years to 2015. These are in the current  
24 budget books. This is the current revenue if we don't do anything. Operating line and  
25 capital line are what is in the budget books. He noted in yellow he added expenses that  
26 aren't in the budget books. The operating addition of \$50,000 in 2012, \$50,000 in 2013,  
27 \$50,000 in 2014, and \$75,000 in 2015 has to do with our NPDES permit. The permit  
28 has expired and we are waiting on the reissue of our new five-year permit. We have  
29 been talking with DEP and have been looking at other cities that have gotten their  
30 permits and they are quite different. They are requiring a lot more from each city. A lot  
31 of this has to do with the nutrient loading, an action plan like we have completed for  
32 Lake Jesup and like we are planning for Lake Monroe.

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34 Mr. Paster said they are requiring all the cities to do a lot more work in their stormwater  
35 systems. Some of that is going to be for monitoring of the stormwater systems. They  
36 are also talking about taking all your stormwater in every year and 10% of your  
37 stormwater has to be looked at, repaired, cleaned, fixed and you have to prove that you  
38 are looking at 10%. There are a lot of new requirements coming out for our permit and  
39 the combined permit with all the other cities and the County. We are looking at three to  
40 six months for the permit to come up. He didn't know what the exact number is going to  
41 be but it will cost more to maintain our stormwater system regulatory-wise. The \$50,000  
42 is just a guess right now.

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44 Deputy Mayor Brender said we're not talking about all new money. We already do part  
45 of that \$50,000.

1 Mr. Paster said the \$245,000 in 2012 is current level of service. The yellow line is  
2 additional level of service.

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4 Deputy Mayor Brender questioned why this would be every year since it is a five-year  
5 permit.

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7 Mr. Paster said there are annual requirements for water treatment and inspections.

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9 Mr. Litton said that is like our consumptive use permit where we have to do all those  
10 things every year.

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12 Mr. Paster said the other line in yellow he called "transfer". Currently with the Water &  
13 Sewer Fund, the operating costs of a lot of buildings, facilities, city hall, Wallace Court  
14 do not come out of the Water & Sewer Fund but there are a lot of employees in those  
15 buildings that do a lot of water/sewer type work. As a way to equalize that, we calculate  
16 approximately how much money we could transfer out of the Water & Sewer Fund into  
17 the General Fund to account for maintenance and personnel. We calculate for the  
18 Water & Sewer Fund \$1.2 million a year but only transfer \$850,000 a year. He did the  
19 same exercise for stormwater and came up with a maximum transferrable amount of  
20 \$145,000 a year for personnel and facilities. He took a number of \$50,000 of that  
21 \$145,000 and pushed it out to \$75,000 for 2015. These numbers get calculated every  
22 year to make sure we are on track. We have not been doing that with our Stormwater  
23 Fund. We are proposing to start a transfer similar to the Water & Sewer Fund to keep  
24 better track of where the money is being spent.

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26 Mr. Paster said now we have new total expenses and the expenses are greater than the  
27 revenue. By 2013 the fund will run out of money. To get the change in revenue he  
28 proposed to change the \$3.00 per EDU to \$4.00 in 2012, \$4.00 in 2013, \$5.00 in 2014,  
29 and \$6.00 in 2015. We are still losing money until 2015 but the fund balance stays  
30 above zero. He said the blue line is a graphical representation of the fund balance. We  
31 increase the monies for our new NDPES permit and we do start the transfer. The green  
32 line is if we change it from \$3.00 to \$4.00, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00 it levels off around  
33 \$150,000 per year.

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35 Mr. Paster said he looked at this a hundred different ways. The thinking going 4, 4, 5,  
36 and 6 was twofold. One was sticker shock. We don't want to double people's rates in  
37 one year. The other thing is this gives us time so you put in 4 and use this analysis  
38 again next year. We might say in two years that it's good for \$4.00 a few more years.  
39 We don't know the exact costs right now. This way we do it gradually and every year  
40 take another look at it.

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42 Mayor Mealor went back to a presentation when Brian Bates was honored by FEMA,  
43 but the City under Bruce's team had gone in and made some modifications of  
44 stormwater for anticipatory aspects of what might happen in the next storm. The City  
45 was acknowledged in terms of its efforts and we received a different rating. With that  
46 rating some insurance premiums went down.

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2 Brian Bates, Stormwater Engineer, said flood insurance costs are 10% less. We got a  
3 10% credit.  
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5 Mayor Mealor said his stormwater fee for one residential unit for his home in Gainesville  
6 is \$8.15 every month. At no time was there ever a discussion point on that when you go  
7 back to the public record. It is just a given. We have been very fortunate the last  
8 several years in terms of not having a storm impact like we had in the summer of 2004.  
9 The activity that took place in Tallahassee in the last 24 to 48 hours has tremendous  
10 impact on us as a community in terms of potential revenue streams. In terms of what  
11 we have always had available to us, it was his opinion it probably would not be there in  
12 the future to the same degree. What our community expects is a level of service that is  
13 commendable. We cannot operate and sustain ourselves if we don't do cost  
14 adjustments. We see it every day. If we stop to think about what this City has provided  
15 to its residents, we have been sensitive to Commissioner Duryea's concern and we  
16 have made efforts to minimize any impacts on our residents. This is one of those times  
17 that he could look a citizen in the eye and say it is in our best long term interest to  
18 restructure this and we are going to do it in a very caring manner. It is going to be  
19 gradual. We are going to stabilize a 18-year consistent fund. In 1993 we did this as a  
20 protective measure because we did not want the County to do it. We either take care of  
21 ourselves or be subject to the whims of the County. It was the right thing to do. In  
22 terms of our responsibility and the expectations our citizens have of us, this is a logical,  
23 fair next step.  
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25 Mr. Litton said most of the things you accomplish with the stormwater fee you can't see  
26 because they are underground but look at what we have done with that \$3.00 since  
27 1993.  
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29 Mayor Mealor said about this time last year we had those dramatic rains. The City of  
30 Sanford was literally under water and people could not drive or move. Lake Mary was  
31 the only area where the water wasn't backed up. We have been very conscientious of  
32 some of our activities to help the citizens in terms of their overall expenses and now it  
33 will probably save us all money in the long run.  
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35 Commissioner Lucarelli said in the discussion about making the residents see the  
36 results and that we didn't have flooding, this goes back to the first time she ran. She got  
37 comments from businesses in the area behind the elementary school complaining about  
38 stormwater flooding and issues over there. She hasn't talked to anybody since then.  
39 She asked if that had been resolved.  
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41 Mr. Paster said there were three streets that were dirt and before we put cold mix on  
42 them we installed a stormwater system on those three streets.  
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44 Mr. Litton said we still have some areas that take on water in the rainy season down by  
45 Wood Street.  
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1 Mr. Paster said Countryside is a private neighborhood and still has dirt roads. We told  
2 them the City is willing to do the engineering work to help them get a permit but they  
3 don't have the money to put the culverts in.  
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5 Commissioner Duryea said subdivision was marketed as a place where you can keep  
6 horse stalls. Those are one-acre lots.  
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8 Commissioner Duryea said in this calculation he thought it was important to look  
9 forward a little bit more because there are things that come to mind that he didn't know  
10 how to resolve but could affect us, the first being the West Crystal Lake/East Crystal  
11 Lake overflow that we have a problem with every so often. This supposedly has been  
12 taken care of. Sooner or later we are going to have to deal with that problem. The  
13 other situation is the downtown has a system that EPA doesn't want to talk about. If  
14 they talk about it then they are going to make us do something.  
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16 Mr. Paster said the reason for the drop that gets really steep from 2010 to 2011 is we  
17 budgeted \$100,000 and picked up about three acres in downtown. We are hitting the  
18 downtown a piece at a time instead of the whole thing.  
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20 Commissioner Duryea expressed concern that those pieces might not add up to a  
21 whole. On C-15 we still have flooding.  
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23 Mr. Paster said we have a little money in the budget every year for those capital  
24 projects. We will eventually address the Smith Canal issue and two lakes. We finished  
25 the basin management for Lake Jesup and are in the process of moving to Lake  
26 Monroe. We are going to have to monitor those areas.  
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28 Mayor Meador asked if any of this is going to be brought into the discussion at the  
29 Strategic Planning Session.  
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31 Mr. Litton said this discussion is going to be on that agenda.  
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33 Mr. Litton said we need direction prior to budget preparation because we are going to  
34 have to pay for this. Our concern is we don't know what Tallahassee is going to do with  
35 our General Fund.  
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37 Mayor Meador said we can't continue to do what we are doing on yesterday's dollar. He  
38 said he had no problem with this.  
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40 Mayor Meador said the Strategic Planning Session is something he would like to come  
41 back to sooner than later. We want to be prepared.  
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43 Deputy Mayor Brender said it is a rotten time to do this. He was not sure of the concept  
44 of transferring \$150,000 to cover expenses.  
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1 Mayor Meador said it will be a rotten time to try and balance the budget. Because of this  
2 commission's long range planning, we were able to keep that fund balance relatively  
3 strong. The year before he came on we were borrowing money off our reserves to  
4 balance the budget. We had less money coming in than we were spending so we were  
5 shifting.

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7 Commissioner Duryea asked if we would have that this year.

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9 Ms. Sova said we will be very close and there would probably be some.

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11 Mr. Litton interjected that we are strong.

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13 Ms. Sova said during our heavy construction years something happened because we  
14 paid out of fund balance some of the construction. We paid cash for the fire station.

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16 Mayor Meador said in his opinion this is the type of thing that cannot be put off.  
17 Regardless of what other communities have done, just looking at our immediate and  
18 future needs, particularly if we get storms; inevitably that cycle is going to hit us and it's  
19 going to be very expensive.

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21 Commissioner Lucarelli said at the Institute of Elected Officials they discussed the  
22 history of Florida and how ad valorem taxes started. That was supposed to be cities'  
23 and counties' only source of income to run their municipality and that is being chipped  
24 away by Tallahassee. Either you go bankrupt as a city since you can no longer provide  
25 these services to the citizens or you have to replace the loss of ad valorem taxes with  
26 fees. If we go forward with this that we need to be totally transparent with the citizens  
27 and try to explain it to them. She suggested giving them a list of unfunded mandates  
28 from Tallahassee. Tallahassee tells us we have to this and this and it is costing X  
29 number of dollars. Our ad valorem income has gone down X number of dollars. Ask  
30 them if they want to keep their stormwater and other services. If so it is going to cost X  
31 number of dollars and we are going to have to raise these fees. Spell it out as clearly  
32 and plainly as possible and hopefully they will understand.

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34 Mayor Meador said the problem with this issue is that we don't have enough. It's a  
35 mandate and we absolutely have to do this.

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37 Commissioner Duryea said he thought it was imperative that the City gain control over  
38 C-15. That is a double edge sword. It's a narrow road and goes down the middle of the  
39 downtown and has no drainage at all the way down to 427. He asked how much that  
40 would cost in improvements.

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42 Mr. Paster said at Skyline and Sand Pond we are putting in drainage. Right now there  
43 are just swales on the side of the road. Construction is about \$2 million but we already  
44 spent about \$1 million for acquisition of property.

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46 Commissioner Duryea said so we are looking at \$5- \$6 million.

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Mr. Litton interjected that was just on the south side.

Mayor Meador said he had the opportunity to speak with the chairman and the newest elected county commissioner and both pledge their support in terms of any initiatives that we have. They are looking forward to working together. He was assured if we come forward with a project they would be receptive to work with us and were complimentary about their interactions in the past.

Deputy Mayor Brender said if the One-Cent Sales Tax comes back up, we can put that as our request and make a deal that they will do the fix up and we'll take the road.

**SIDE 1B**

**It was the consensus of the Commission to move forward with the stormwater study validation process.**

Mr. Litton asked the Commission if they would like to go forward with the Strategic Planning with just the four of them. Replacing Commissioner Gray is going to take some time.

**It was the consensus of the Commission to schedule a Strategic Planning Session.**

There being no further business, the work session adjourned at 6:25 P.M.

1 MINUTES OF THE LAKE MARY CITY COMMISSION MEETING held May 5, 2011,  
2 7:00 P.M., Lake Mary City Commission Chambers, 100 North Country Club Road.

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5 I. Call to Order

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7 The meeting was called to order by Mayor David Meador at 7:05 P.M.

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9 II. Moment of Silence

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11 III. Pledge of Allegiance

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13 IV. Roll Call

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15 Mayor David Meador  
16 Deputy Mayor Gary Brender  
17 Commissioner George Duryea  
18 Seat 3 - Vacant  
19 Commissioner Jo Ann Lucarelli

John Litton, City Manager  
Carol Foster, City Clerk  
Jackie Sova, Finance Director/  
Assistant City Manager  
John Omana, Com. Dev. Dir.  
Gary Schindler, City Planner  
Steve Noto, Planner  
Bruce Paster, Public Works Dir.  
Bill Carrico, Parks & Rec. Dir.  
Steve Bracknell, Police Chief  
Craig Haun, Fire Chief  
Katie Reischmann, City Attorney  
Mary Campbell, Deputy City Clerk

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29 V. Approval of Minutes: April 21, 2011

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31 **Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Brender to approve the minutes of the April**  
32 **21, 2011, meeting, seconded by Commissioner Lucarelli and motion carried**  
33 **unanimously.**

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35 VI. Special Presentations

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37 A. Recognition – Commissioner Shirley Gray  
38 B. Recognition – Firefighter/EMT Jerry Bouck

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40 Mayor Meador asked Firefighter and Mrs. Jerry Bouck to come forward. He read and  
41 presented a plaque to Firefighter/EMT Jerry Bouck in recognition of his service to the  
42 City of Lake Mary.

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44 Mayor Meador said there were a number of Jerry's colleagues present and thanked  
45 them for coming out. The men and women of all of our public safety departments give  
46 us an opportunity to enjoy a quality of life that is the envy of many.

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2 Mayor Mealar asked the Commissioners, City Manager, and Commissioner Gray to  
3 come forward.

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5 Mayor Mealar read and presented a plaque to Commissioner Gray for her service to the  
6 City of Lake Mary.

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8 Commissioner Gray read her letter of resignation submitted to the City Manager. She  
9 said she struggled with this for eight or nine months so it wasn't a sudden thing. She  
10 felt like she did a good job and it was a good fit and she liked what she was doing. Her  
11 business had grown and needed to give her business more time.

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13 "With somewhat of a heavy heart, I am submitting written notice of  
14 resignation from the City of Lake Mary Commission Seat No. 3 and  
15 effective midnight April 30<sup>th</sup>. Being a commissioner has been very  
16 enjoyable and has been a pleasure to work with the City employees. All of  
17 the employees on every occasion have displayed professionalism that is  
18 second to none. During the past four-plus years, I have learned more  
19 than one could ever imagine from the employees, residents and many  
20 others. But my insurance business has suffered and was negatively  
21 impacted because of the amount of time it takes to do a good job as a  
22 commissioner. My experience has been rewarding and I wish the best for  
23 you, Mr. Litton, and our great city."

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25 Commissioner Gray said Chief Bracknell and his department has done a great job any  
26 time she came to them for whatever it was. Ditto for Chief Haun and his department.  
27 She will always remember the night she got a special tour of the fire station with some  
28 friends because they dropped off some food. She thanked Ed Koch and his team. She  
29 thanked Bill Carrico of Parks & Recreation and his team. They are so professional and  
30 polite.

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32 Commissioner Gray thanked Mr. Omana, Mr. Schindler and Mr. Noto of the Community  
33 Development Department for a great job. They never pooh-pooh her questions  
34 because she is trying to get more informed on every issue. She was all in with this job  
35 and tried to do her darnedest to ask more informed questions. You guys were great to  
36 give the information. Likewise with Mr. Paster and his team in Public Works.

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38 Commissioner Gray thanked Jackie Sova, Assistant City Manager. The gals and guys in  
39 the Finance Department, IT and HR are just super and have always answered any  
40 question. They are all so professional.

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42 Commissioner Gray thanked City Clerk Carol Foster for putting up with her all the time  
43 when she asks for a copy of this or that. Her assistant Mary Campbell always has my  
44 tea ready at every commission meeting.

1 Commissioner Gray said it had been fun to get to know City Attorney Katie  
2 Reischmann.

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4 Commissioner Gray said last but not least she felt she had become a friend to City  
5 Manager John Litton either in spite of what he's done or because of what he's done.

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7 Commissioner Gray read a passage entitled "Leave It":

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9 The moment just ticked by. Leave it.  
10 No matter how painful or pleasurable. Leave it.  
11 Leave it and move on while there is freedom and strength and momentum.  
12 No time to look back and regret a relation.  
13 No time to hold on to what used to be.  
14 No time for anything but the fleeting moment that is now.  
15 For all else is one solution. Leave it.

16  
17 Mr. Litton said as staff we appreciate what Commissioner Gray did and how she did it.  
18 She did such a great job and brought to the table a whole bunch of things that maybe  
19 weren't there before—a different perspective on things. One of the things she instilled  
20 in us was the importance of communication with our citizens. Just those little things that  
21 are so important and we know they were very passionate to her and she took them very  
22 seriously. He thanked her for her service.

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24 C. Proclamation – National Public Works Week

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26 Mayor Meador read a proclamation proclaiming May 15 – 21, 2011 as "National Public  
27 Works Week". The proclamation will be forwarded to the Public Works Director.

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29 Cora Rice of the Lake Mary Historical Society came forward dressed in uniform. She  
30 said she was representing the Women's Air Corps Flight Nurse from World War II. She  
31 announced that were honoring the military on May 14<sup>th</sup> at the Historical Museum and at  
32 Liberty Park. We have representation from the Seminole Indian War, the Confederacy,  
33 World War I, World War II and several others. We have tanks coming in and there will  
34 be reenactments. There is one that is very special. Come to the museum around 11:00  
35 and plan to stay until 12 or so. We have a color guard to bring in Tyler Dedman, retired  
36 Navy and a few others. We have the first female admiral in the United States of  
37 America who lives in this community and is 92 years old. Mayor Meador will introduce  
38 everybody. The most special thing is the mini Yalta Conference that will be acted out  
39 and Zach Hudson is playing Stalin, John Omana is playing FDR, and Pastor Bill Mallick  
40 is playing Churchill.

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42 Ms. Rice said she didn't know Lake Mary had such acting talent and was so proud of  
43 this event. Last year was wonderful and had 600 people and this year we're going to  
44 top over 1,000.

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1 Mr. Omana said Zach (Hudson) and Cora (Rice) were discussing history and World War  
2 II a couple of months ago and he heard about this great event. Being a history nut, he  
3 volunteered for it and they have had a great time. It's great for the citizens of the City  
4 and would love to see everyone out there.

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6 Ms. Rice asked the audience who had served or have loved ones serving now. It is  
7 very important to continue to provide good feelings and honor our military. She thanked  
8 those who have served.

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10 Ms. Rice said we also have a USO night that evening and we are going to boogie-  
11 woogie.

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13 Ms. Rice said it is May 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. You have to come by  
14 headquarters (the museum) to get your map to Liberty Park and other venues.

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16 Mayor Mealor asked to move Item 8-B to this section of the agenda.

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18 **Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Brender to move Item 8-B to this part of the**  
19 **agenda, seconded by Commissioner Lucarelli and motion carried unanimously.**

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21 B. Resolution No. 878 – Support/participate in Small Business Week

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23 The City Attorney read Resolution No. 878 in its entirety.

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25 **Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Brender to approve Resolution No. 878,**  
26 **seconded by Commissioner Lucarelli and motion carried unanimously.**

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28 Frank Hale, President of the Seminole County Regional Chamber of Commerce came  
29 forward. He said it was a pleasure to be here representing the small business  
30 community within Seminole County and also in Lake Mary. Since 1963 when President  
31 John F. Kennedy first recognized small business, for 48 years every president has  
32 recognized small businesses through the U.S. Small Business Administration Small  
33 Business Week.

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35 Mr. Hale said the Seminole County Regional Chamber will recognize Small Business  
36 Week. This year we will recognize 14,000 small businesses in Seminole County and  
37 over 2,500 small businesses in the City of Lake Mary. Those are people who live in this  
38 community. They are your relatives, friends, neighbors and people we know who go to  
39 work and put their time, talent, and treasure on the line every single day. For that we  
40 are showing a spotlight on them for all that they do and all that they contribute to our  
41 communities.

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43 Mr. Hale said to think about our churches, little leagues, not-for-profit organizations and  
44 arts and cultural organizations who profit and who benefit as a result of the hard work  
45 that these individuals are putting forth every single day. He introduced some business

1 people from Lake Mary: From *Lake Mary Life* magazine, Sheila and Michael Kramer;  
2 Michael McLean who is an insurance man; and Antoney Manipadam of Cork & Olive.

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4 Mr. Hale said on May 19, 2011, the Seminole County Regional Chamber will host a  
5 Small Business Breakfast at the Hilton Altamonte Springs and we will recognize the  
6 Seminole County Business of the Year. The guest speaker will be the 2010 U.S. Small  
7 Business Administration Small Business Person of the Year, Wyman Armstrong, and he  
8 is from Orlando, Florida. We hope the next Small Business Person of the Year comes  
9 from Seminole County and perhaps even Lake Mary. He thanked the Commission for  
10 their support.

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12 The Commissioner returned to the regular order of the agenda at this time.

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14 VII. Unfinished Business

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16 A. Ordinance No. 1421 – Declaring a moratorium as to the filing and receipt of  
17 any application for, or issuance of, Business Tax Receipts and Land Use  
18 approvals for operation of Pain Management Clinics – Second Reading  
19 (Public Hearing)

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21 The City Attorney read Ordinance No. 1421 by title only on second reading.

22  
23 Mr. Litton said staff had no further comments.

24  
25 Ms. Reischmann said the day after we met last time the House had passed a very  
26 detailed regulatory bill on pain management clinics but that got referred to three  
27 different senate committees and it died.

28  
29 Mayor Meador asked if anyone wanted to speak in reference to Ordinance No. 1421. No  
30 one came forward and the public hearing was closed.

31  
32 **Motion was made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve Ordinance No. 1421 on**  
33 **second reading, seconded by Deputy Mayor Brender and motion carried by roll-**  
34 **call vote: Deputy Mayor Brender, Yes; Commissioner Duryea, Yes;**  
35 **Commissioner Lucarelli, Yes; Mayor Meador, Yes.**

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37 VIII. New Business

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39 A. Request for Site Plan with variances for the Shaw Fountainview building  
40 located at 152 N. Fourth Street (Public Hearing)(quasi-judicial)

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42 Mr. Noto said this item is bricks and mortar downtown redevelopment. He said Mr.  
43 Shaw of Shaw Construction is looking to start a new phase in his redevelopment efforts  
44 downtown. Across the street from City Hall he is working on a previously approved site  
45 plan and just recently his minor site plan was completed.

1 Mr. Noto showed a rendering of the proposed building on the overhead that will be  
2 known as Fountainview at 152 N. Fourth Street. It will be a two-story building of roughly  
3 28,000 square feet and 25 feet tall. The properties in question have an alleyway going  
4 through it. Like we have done in the past, the vacate is currently under review and is  
5 being reviewed by the utility companies. The first condition of approval is that the site  
6 plan is contingent upon the approval of the requested vacate and that will come before  
7 the Commission in June.

8  
9 Mr. Noto said the applicant is proposing to construct 60 parking spaces on Fourth Street  
10 and on Crystal Lake Avenue. Two spaces will be constructed on Lakeview. He will be  
11 installing an 11-stall bicycle rack. He will provide four parallel parking spaces on the  
12 east side of Fourth Street but showed the overlay showing angular parking. There is a  
13 separate property owner and the right-of-way and private property are configured in  
14 such a way where only parallel spaces would be allowed at this point. He said Mr.  
15 Shaw has drawn in that overlay so if in the future he acquires the property or the right-  
16 of-way gets widened, there may be the ability to add more angled parking in that area.

17  
18 Mr. Noto said if you look at the property you will see a retention pond and your thought  
19 may be what is going to happen to the retention pond if there is going to be a building  
20 on top of it. The yellow highlighted lines on the exhibit are the existing stormwater  
21 pipes. The pipe currently terminates within the pond that will all be removed and the  
22 pipe will be connected to an existing pipe to the south that services the soon-to-be three  
23 buildings and the white building at the corner of Fourth and Lake Mary Boulevard. The  
24 applicant will be coordinating with Public Works to fix that up and create some new  
25 connections to the north to Crystal Lake Avenue and connecting to existing  
26 infrastructure just to the south. All of those requests have been reviewed by Public  
27 Works and the City Engineer. In conjunction with that he will be lengthening the  
28 Seminole Avenue retention area adding roughly 276 feet of improvements so capacity  
29 from the pond there now at the corner of Lakeview and Fourth will be increased through  
30 the extension of the pond within Seminole Avenue. Not only will it be able to handle the  
31 capacity of the 152 building and the building across the street, but it will also handle  
32 some additional development that may occur in the future.

33  
34 Mr. Noto said there are two setback variances as part of this request—one along  
35 Crystal Lake Avenue and one along Lakeview Avenue. The setback along Crystal Lake  
36 is to allow for a 5-foot setback and along Lakeview to allow for a zero foot setback.  
37 These variances were reviewed through the standard variance review process and the  
38 six findings of fact and those are outlined on Pages 3, 4 and 5 of the staff report.

39  
40 Mr. Noto said the applicant will be providing a 44-inch sidewalk easement for the  
41 sidewalk that will run along Fourth Street. The retention pond improvements that will  
42 happen on Seminole are part of the budget line item within this year's budget.

43  
44 Mr. Noto said at the regular April 12, 2011, meeting the Planning & Zoning Board voted  
45 unanimously 5-0 to recommend the approval of the site plan with the variances and two  
46 conditions.

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2 Mr. Noto said staff finds the request for the site plan approval with variances is  
3 consistent with the Lake Mary Code of Ordinances, Lake Mary Comprehensive Plan,  
4 and we recommend approval with the two conditions outlined in the staff report.  
5  
6 Mayor Mealor asked if anyone wanted to speak in reference to the request for site plan  
7 with variances for the Shaw Fountainview building. No one came forward and the  
8 public hearing was closed.  
9  
10 Deputy Mayor Brender said stormwater is eventually going to West Crystal Lake. He  
11 asked if there was a retention pond for this kind of runoff.  
12  
13 Mr. Paster said later on this evening Mr. Litton will be bringing forth a request for design  
14 and the design will include improvements on Fourth Street across from these proposed  
15 properties. The improvements will include parking spaces, the roadway itself, and  
16 drainage improvements. The drainage improvements will handle over three acres of  
17 property in the downtown area. This area would be included within those three acres.  
18 The stormwater will be collected at both intersections along Fourth Street. Since the  
19 existing pond is in the right-of-way of Seminole Avenue, that pond will have to be  
20 enlarged to accommodate the additional stormwater. That's a treatment pond so all the  
21 stormwater is treated in that pond and it overflows after treatment into West Crystal  
22 Lake. This is budgeted this year under both our streets program and stormwater  
23 program to take care of the asphalt work and stormwater work.  
24  
25 Commissioner Duryea asked the reasons for the variances and why go that far into the  
26 corner.  
27  
28 Mr. Noto said he thought it was a design choice. The variances are not unique for this  
29 area. The building across the street received similar variances to build up to the  
30 property line as well some of the buildings on Fourth Street—sort of that downtown  
31 design aspect to let buildings be built right up to the sidewalk as long as it has the 44-  
32 inch width for handicapped. He believed it was a design option.  
33  
34 Terry Shaw, Shaw Construction, 386 Pinetree Road, applicant, came forward. On the  
35 variances we're kind of doing them on everything. On the east side of the building we  
36 stepped back so we could have larger sidewalks and we moved the building around  
37 according to our rights-of-way. On Fourth Street we only have 66-foot rights-of-way so  
38 we have to put the sidewalk in our property and we moved the building back so we  
39 could get it. On Lakeview, Crystal and Wilbur are 78-foot rights-of-way so by the time  
40 you get your parking and big sidewalk, if you move the building back to your variances  
41 you would be way back, so we have to adjust them to make it fit with the rights-of-way  
42 widths more than just the setbacks.  
43  
44 Commissioner Duryea asked if that was considered a front setback or side setback.  
45

1 Mr. Shaw said that is a corner so we have three fronts—Lakeview, Fourth and Crystal.  
2 We have two 78-foot rights-of-way so we've got these big rights-of-way so by the time  
3 you put in the big sidewalks and parking you still have plenty of room to have a setback.

4 **SIDE 2A**

5 Commissioner Duryea pointed out on the rendering the location of the variances. He  
6 said there was nothing there but the alley.

7  
8 Mr. Shaw said that was the vacate. He said the rendering was done a long time ago. It  
9 would actually extend down and have another corner because it will be on Crystal now.  
10 He explained when the rendering was done he didn't own that other property. The new  
11 building we just finished at 136 where the new Sophie & Trey and Sylvan are, this side  
12 will mirror that side and Delano will mirror. They will all kind of mirror each other with  
13 the setbacks.

14  
15 Deputy Mayor Brender said so that building will extend the length of the whole block.

16  
17 Commissioner Duryea interjected provided the alley is vacated.

18  
19 Mr. Shaw said that was correct.

20  
21 Commissioner Duryea asked if there was a Plan B if the alley isn't vacated.

22  
23 Mr. Shaw said we would have to step back and look at it. We are kind of duplicating the  
24 vacate we did at 136 and are trying to duplicate the same thing at 152.

25  
26 Commissioner Duryea said he didn't think anything in that block had been vacated.

27  
28 Mr. Omana said he didn't have the plat maps this evening.

29  
30 **Motion was made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve with consideration in the**  
31 **finding of fact that the approval of the site plan will be contingent upon approval**  
32 **of the requested vacate and prior to the issuance of the site construction permit,**  
33 **the applicant provides the City with a letter from Waste Management regarding a**  
34 **dumpster. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Brender and motion carried by roll-call**  
35 **vote: Commissioner Duryea, Yes; Commissioner Lucarelli, Yes; Deputy Mayor**  
36 **Brender, Yes; Mayor Mealor, Yes.**

37  
38 B. Resolution No. 878 – Support/participate in Small Business Week

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40 Resolution No. 878 was read in its entirety, presented and approved under Special  
41 Presentations. See Page 12, Line 21.

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43 IX. Citizen Participation

44  
45 Millie Murray said she's had the barber shop since 1963 (located at 113 W. Crystal Lake

1 Avenue). She wanted to know if anybody knows where Downtown Lake Mary is  
2 anymore. She asked the Commission if they knew where the original Downtown Lake  
3 Mary is. She asked if it was dying. We've studied and paid so much money to study  
4 downtown and from where she sits we haven't had anything but new signs on the  
5 sidewalks and buildings. She wondered if anything had been done about rediscovering.

6  
7 Mayor Meador said several weeks ago we were going to have a Strategic Planning  
8 Session specifically talking about the next steps for Downtown. Because of a  
9 circumstance where one of the members could not join us, that meeting was canceled.  
10 At the work session this evening we talked about reconvening that Strategic Planning  
11 Session as quickly as possible. He appreciated Ms. Murray bringing the sign to their  
12 attention. He said he probably walks by that sign at least twice a week and was  
13 oblivious to it. He spoke to the Director of Parks & Recreation, Bill Carrico, and we will  
14 make some changes to that very quickly and thought Ms. Murray would be pleased.

15  
16 Ms. Murray said and getting across that street is unbelievable. It's a wonder we haven't  
17 had more deaths. She asked if they could get a light.

18  
19 Mayor Meador said he was glad she brought that up and it is a good point because we  
20 had two weekend activities here where there was tremendous community participation.  
21 Because of just the sheer response to those two activities, we had the majority of the  
22 citizens and those participating parking across the street. He thought it was  
23 problematic. One of the things we were going to talk about at the Strategic Planning  
24 Session was how to identify a defined pedestrian crosswalk to enter from the east back  
25 to the city hall site or the museum. There will have to be some traffic calming devices.  
26 He agreed that was very important and was glad Ms. Murray brought it to the  
27 Commission's attention. It is now on the public record and it will help us in our  
28 discussion.

29  
30 Ms. Murray said we have spent a lot of money studying Downtown Lake Mary.

31  
32 Mayor Meador said we are no longer studying and are at the point where we are going to  
33 take the next steps to do something.

34  
35 Ms. Murray said that was good to hear. She said she would like to see something  
36 before she died.

37  
38 Ms. Murray asked the Commission if any of them had been down Third Street lately.  
39 She said they ought to take a ride down Third and Fourth Streets. There are some  
40 pretty sad buildings that need a lot of attention. She said she was proud of the City and  
41 always had been but thought the commissioners should take a tour of the City once in a  
42 while.

43  
44 Joanne Counelis, 136 E. Alma Avenue, came forward. She asked the Commission to  
45 please not let SunRail die.

46

1 Michael McLean, 379 Woldunn Circle, came forward. He thanked the Commission and  
2 the City for stepping up for small business not only in Lake Mary but in our community.  
3 He had the pleasure of serving on the Board of Directors for the Seminole County  
4 Regional Chamber of Commerce along with Mayor Meador and knew each of you have  
5 been involved with numerous projects within and outside the Chamber for a small  
6 business.

7  
8 Mr. McLean said there is an event on May 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. at the  
9 Senior Center. It is spearheaded by Commissioner Lucarelli with the able assistance by  
10 Mr. Litton. We are having a "Googleology" seminar talking about how Google search  
11 engines can be used to enhance and fortify the small business community. It is one of  
12 many examples of how the City of Lake Mary steps up for the small business  
13 community. As a small business owner and at one time had the opportunity to sit  
14 among you can attest to the leadership role that the City of Lake Mary takes in this  
15 regard and said "thank you". If anyone wants to register for the seminar they can get on  
16 the Chamber website and take it from there.

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18 No one else came forward and citizen participation was closed.

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20 X. Reports

21  
22 City Manager

23  
24 1. Request Commission direction on how to proceed with Commissioner Gray's  
25 vacancy

26  
27 Mr. Litton said this is to seek the Commission's direction on the vacant commission  
28 seat. The Charter calls for a special election based on the timing. It doesn't say when it  
29 has to be it just says there has to be a special election. If it was less than six months  
30 then the Commission could appoint someone but as it reads today there has to be a  
31 special election. The Supervisor of Elections has told us that it would take at least 90  
32 days to schedule that election once you give the go ahead. We are going to be through  
33 the budget by then. The Charter Review Committee will have their recommendations  
34 and are due to report to the Commission in June. Those are two items that he could  
35 see the Commission may wish they had five. Other than that he thought everything was  
36 routine.

37  
38 Mr. Litton said the special elections have been estimated by the Supervisor of Elections  
39 to cost \$5,000 so theoretically we could face four elections this year if you had a runoff.  
40 We have regular elections for Seats 2 and 4 in November and there could be another  
41 runoff in December. He said he didn't anticipate that but you never know. He said he  
42 needed to know what the Commission wants to do so we can move forward.

43  
44 Commissioner Lucarelli said since there is no timeframe, she was all for saving  
45 taxpayers' dollars and would be in favor of pushing it to the General Election in  
46 November. She suggested that the Committee look at some way to resolve this issue

1 for the future should someone pass away or resign again and how we could better  
2 handle this situation.

3  
4 Mr. Litton said he had asked them to do that since her resignation and they have not  
5 met since then.

6  
7 Deputy Mayor Brender said realizing it's 90 days to set up an election, have a qualifying  
8 period and run the election, by the time we get done we are probably within six weeks of  
9 the General Election. He didn't believe there was a great deal of contentious issues  
10 that will be coming forward over the next six months where we could conceivably have a  
11 3 to 2 vote. Things are still fairly slow in local government. He felt comfortable that they  
12 could approach that time. He directed staff to be up front with any applicants early in  
13 the process to make sure they know they can bring it forward or wait because a 2-2 vote  
14 is a failure. As long as we are careful with that he didn't see a problem.

15  
16 Commissioner Duryea said he had no preference.

17  
18 **Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Brender to schedule the Special Election at**  
19 **the same time of the General Election in November with the qualifying being at**  
20 **the same time as the General Election, seconded by Commissioner Lucarelli and**  
21 **motion carried unanimously.**

22  
23 2. Request Commission authorize City Manager to execute purchase order to  
24 Inwood Consulting Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$36,435.00 for Downtown  
25 Lake Mary Infrastructure Design

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27 Mr. Litton said this is a request for the engineering study that was alluded to earlier in  
28 the discussion of stormwater for the Downtown and specifically Fourth Street. This  
29 would be the infrastructure design. We have a \$400,000.00 line item in the budget and  
30 the estimated construction is \$360,000.00 but that could change up or down based  
31 upon the engineering study. He said Mr. Shaw has provided some information. Our  
32 Public Works Director feels it is important that we do our own work in this process too  
33 so he is recommending we use Inwood Consulting and their proposal is for \$36,435.00.  
34 They are one of the firms on our consulting engineering list. He recommended  
35 approval.

36  
37 **Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Brender to approve, seconded by**  
38 **Commissioner Lucarelli and motion carried unanimously.**

39  
40 3. Request Commission authorize early debt payoff of Public Improvements  
41 Revenue Bonds in the amount of \$1,811,082.50 and authorize City Manager to  
42 approve associated budget adjustments

43  
44 Ms. Sova said we have an outstanding balance from a \$7,305,000.00 bond issue in  
45 2003. That bond issue included \$4,000,000.00 to build the municipal complex and a  
46 refunding issue of \$3,305,000.00 that was refunding of other bonds and included the

1 burying of power lines on Lake Mary Boulevard. Our current interest rate environment  
2 continues to decline. Our portfolios are earning 1.559% and we just lost a 5% bond this  
3 week so it's going to continue to drop. We have to keep that portfolio short by our policy  
4 to keep our money safe. The rate for this issue outstanding is 3.41% so we think it will  
5 be advantageous to pay it off at this time. We do have enough reserves to do that very  
6 comfortably and still leave the fund balance at 84.2%. She thought it was advisable at  
7 this time. It gives some budget flexibility in the next couple of years because we won't  
8 have to be making those debt service transfers. It takes an additional \$890,393.00  
9 allocation this year to go ahead and pay this off tomorrow.

10  
11 Commissioner Duryea asked the interest rate we are paying for those bonds. Ms. Sova  
12 said 3.41%.

13  
14 Mayor Mealor said we just authorized the City Manager to spend approximately  
15 \$36,000.00. He asked the interest savings. Ms. Sova said \$66,495.00.

16  
17 **Motion was made by Commissioner Lucarelli to authorize early payoff of Public**  
18 **Improvement Revenue Bonds in the amount of \$1,811,082.50 and authorize the**  
19 **City Manager to execute associated budget adjustments. Seconded by Deputy**  
20 **Mayor Brender and motion carried unanimously.**

21  
22 4. Request Commission direction on soft tobacco policy at Sports complex and  
23 posting of appropriate signage

24  
25 Mr. Litton said this is a revisit of the tobacco policy at the Sports Complex which  
26 currently we have none. Last year we discussed the possibility of no smoking and  
27 ultimately found out we didn't have a lot to say about it and it was in the state's court to  
28 make those decisions. Mr. Carrico has done a lot of research on this and has taken it to  
29 the Parks & Recreation Board and was present to bring the Commission up to date.

30  
31 Mr. Carrico said we have a very thick file on this item. Most of the letters, e-mails, etc.  
32 including our research show one thing and that is recommend that the Commission  
33 adopt a soft tobacco policy and post signage in several locations near and adjacent to  
34 fields. We really don't have the authority to do much else. Smoking is preempted to the  
35 state which means they are the ones who call the shots. It has gone to court and has  
36 gone through every possible legal hoop. We recommended three or four years ago to  
37 prohibit smoking but that was before we knew about this particular law. We have been  
38 working with the health department and their latest memo says they are no longer  
39 encouraging enforceable ordinances but rather voluntary policies. That was based on  
40 recent advice of their new attorney for Family Services within the Department of Health.

41  
42 Mr. Carrico said we have checked with every city in our area and found generally they  
43 say around youth they highly discourage or do not allow smoking. Around adult softball  
44 complexes they have no rules or regulations. We have a problem they don't have. We  
45 have adult and youth simultaneously playing with one field adjacent to the other.  
46 Seminole County is not doing anything. They said they were going to take some kind of

1 action but were not supporting anything other than a soft message and no signage.  
2 They were also going to have a tobacco-free area.

3  
4 Mr. Carrico said he received correspondence from the President of Little League today  
5 and it says they do not believe banning smoking at the park is the answer. This is not  
6 the first time he has spoken with Little League on this subject and has asked if there  
7 had been problems and there have been a few. A few people have complained but  
8 overwhelmingly they haven't because most of the smokers are going to an area that  
9 cannot be seen by youth. He felt if the smoking is very close that second-hand smoke  
10 can be harmful to certain individuals that have lung problems and it does not set a good  
11 example for our youth.

12  
13 Mr. Carrico said the question is what do we do? He thought they could put up signage,  
14 but not a great amount, saying smoking is harmful and we would appreciate your not  
15 smoking in certain areas and have designated an area. That area is 150 feet from the  
16 batting area for the very small kids. He pointed out the smoking area on the map of the  
17 Sports Complex. He talked to the tennis pro and he hasn't seen people smoking and is  
18 not a problem. We do not allow smoking where there are wood chips because it might  
19 cause a fire and do not allow smoking in the buildings. We don't have signs, we just  
20 don't allow it. There is no signage in the smoking area. People who do smoke will learn  
21 that is the area where they can.

22  
23 Deputy Mayor Brender said the presence of ash disposal and canisters and a little  
24 signage in that area is where we should be. There are a lot of things you can do before  
25 you get to banning something, particularly when you're outside. We can forbid smoking  
26 in the buildings.

27  
28 Mr. Carrico said we do not allow smoking in buildings, picnic shelters, fields, or dugouts.  
29 The smoking is basically from the bleachers.

30  
31 Deputy Mayor Brender said some signage around the bleachers saying it's not good for  
32 you and everybody else.

33  
34 Commissioner Duryea said we could appeal to somebody's better instincts and say we  
35 would appreciate it if you didn't smoke around children.

36  
37 Mr. Carrico said that's what they intend to do. People call it an embarrassing message.  
38 He thought it would be enforced by observers and didn't think it would be a problem.

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40 **It was the consensus of the Commission to go with the soft tobacco policy and**  
41 **post signage.**

42  
43 5. Request Commission cancel the June 16, 2011, meeting and reschedule  
44 meetings in September

1 Mr. Litton said this is a request to cancel the June 16, 2011, meeting because we do not  
2 have anything coming forward and reschedule the two meetings in September to  
3 September 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> to comply with the TRIM requirements. As it stands today those  
4 new dates in September will not conflict with the County's or School Board's public  
5 hearings which take seniority to ours. They can't hold theirs the same time as we hold  
6 ours.

7  
8 **Motion was made by Deputy Mayor Brender to cancel the June 16, 2011, meeting**  
9 **and reschedule two September meetings to September 8, 2011, and September**  
10 **22, 2011. Seconded by Commissioner Lucarelli and motion carried unanimously.**

11  
12 6. Request Commission appoint Mr. McKinley and Ms. Plourde to fill vacant seats  
13 on Elder Affairs Commission

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15 Mr. Litton said this is a request for appointments to the Elder Affairs Commission.  
16 Jennifer Acevedo and Bettye Smith have resigned. The Elder Affairs Commission has  
17 recommended the appointment of Mr. Carl McKinley to fill the remainder of Ms. Smith's  
18 term which expires December 31, 2012, and appoint Ms. Rachel Plourde to fill Ms.  
19 Acevedo's term which expires December 31, 2011.

20  
21 **Motion was made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve the appointment of Carl**  
22 **McKinley and Rachel Plourde to the Elder Affairs Commission, seconded by**  
23 **Deputy Mayor Brender and motion carried unanimously.**

24  
25 Mr. Litton said the Splash Park is now open from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. daily and  
26 there are a lot of people taking advantage of that.

27  
28 Mr. Litton said this past Saturday our Police Department participated in the Second  
29 National Prescription Drug Force Take-Back Day where people dropped off expired and  
30 unused medication. Twenty-two large boxes were filled with prescriptions at our  
31 location. It was a big success and citizens are encouraging us to continue that  
32 opportunity. He congratulated Zach Hudson and the rest of the Community Relations  
33 Division.

34  
35 Mr. Litton said we have an opening on the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. He was  
36 not going to ask for an appointment tonight but wanted to make everybody aware that is  
37 available and if you are interested to contact the City Clerk or go on line at  
38 [www.lakemaryfl.com](http://www.lakemaryfl.com).

39  
40 Mr. Litton said our Swedish Heritage Exhibition continues through May 28<sup>th</sup> at the Frank  
41 Evans Center at 158 N. Country Club Road. Learn about some of the area's earliest  
42 settlers and their role in our history. The museum is open on Thursdays from 6:30 P.M.  
43 to 8:30 P.M. and on Saturdays from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

1 Mr. Litton said the DARE graduation will take place at Lake Mary Prep on Friday, May  
2 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 P.M. and at Crystal Lake Elementary on Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 A.M. Both  
3 will be held in the school auditoriums.  
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5 B. Mayor  
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7 Mayor Mealor had no report at this time.  
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9 C. Commissioners (4)  
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11 Commissioner Lucarelli said she had a good time attending the Advanced Institute for  
12 Elected Officials. It was very eye-opening. We talked about the history of Florida and  
13 tax bases. We heard challenges other cities are facing.  
14

15 Commissioner Lucarelli said she had been asked to serve as a new member on the  
16 Seminole Behavioral Health Board and has accepted.  
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18 Commissioner Lucarelli said Stella Tagliavore at Lake Mary Arts Studio had an open  
19 house this past weekend. Her new art gallery is open and she has one particular artist  
20 she is highlighting. She encouraged everyone to stop by.  
21

22 Commissioner Lucarelli said she attended Metroplan Orlando and Kelly Teague gave a  
23 legislative update. They passed the Transportation Trust Fund Raid and it was a  
24 compromise. The House wanted \$300,000 and the Senate zero so they met in the  
25 middle. She put Mr. Ferguson from DOT on the spot and asked how much are we  
26 talking in job loss. These people claim they want to do job creation and this is job  
27 destruction. His comment was 20 jobs per million that will be lost. District 5 is projected  
28 to lose 30 million. He is saying they are trying not to defer projects but she could see  
29 they are deferring projects and thought I-4 rehab was one of them. There was  
30 discussion on the Expressway Authority and the consolidation there.  
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32 Commissioner Lucarelli said she attended the open house for the new Jewett Clinic.  
33 They do scheduled patients as well as emergency care. They have a full X-ray room,  
34 open MRI and it is great having them in Lake Mary.  
35

36 Deputy Mayor Brender said CALNO met last night at the City of Oviedo and had a  
37 presentation by their police chief and staff regarding the ION program which is  
38 Improving Oviedo Neighborhoods. The commission or the city has taken a very active  
39 role. It follows on a discussion we had a couple of years ago on CALNO with Sanford's  
40 SNAP program which is Seminole Neighborhoods and it is an improvement program  
41 that the City of Sanford sponsored. Oviedo copied it and named it ION. They have had  
42 a great deal of success bringing in grant money. They have gotten a huge buy-in by the  
43 citizens within these neighborhoods to the point they would have citizen meetings with  
44 70 to 80 people show up from a neighborhood of a couple of hundred homes which is a  
45 phenomenal turnout. It is a very interesting program to see what's happening and what  
46 can be done, particularly some older distressed neighborhoods and the kind of

1 improvements that can be made with the city only being a catalyst but not a provider.  
2 Several of his colleagues mentioned Zach Hudson's discussion of what's happening in  
3 Lake Mary with our program with government acting as a catalyst but not participating in  
4 the program. The programs really do work well.

5  
6 Deputy Mayor Brender said there were some interesting things happening on budgets  
7 for some of our sister cities. It was noted that Casselberry and Longwood are in  
8 discussions about putting together the command structure of their fire department under  
9 the same command. They may have separate trucks but will have a command  
10 structure that is going to be over both cities. Casselberry is also in discussions with  
11 Seminole County regarding a full consolidation. All these things keep coming up and  
12 we do share so much of this county between our first responders and everything else  
13 but there are moves afoot to do more and we have to keep an eye on it. We are  
14 maintaining our fire and police departments and believed firmly that is the way to go.  
15 We should keep an eye on these things.

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17 Deputy Mayor Brender said the Seminole County Expressway Authority will be meeting  
18 May 10<sup>th</sup> at the Board of County Commission Chambers. He will be chairing the  
19 beginning part, will pass the gavel, and they will have election of new officers and  
20 appointment of new members, Commissioner Moran and Commissioner Patty  
21 Mahaney.

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23 Deputy Mayor Brender said Commissioner Lucarelli briefly mentioned the Gates  
24 Amendment. It was a proposal by the senators in North Florida to consolidate all of the  
25 expressway authorities in the state. It is a truly misguided effort. In other words, let's  
26 bring everything to Tallahassee, give them all the money and they will pass it out the  
27 way they feel they should. This week the proposal died in committee so that is not  
28 going anywhere this year.

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30 Deputy Mayor Brender said he attended the Economic Summit that was hosted by  
31 Frank Hale. There was an interesting discussion about where the economy is going not  
32 only in Seminole County but Central Florida and the importance of the simulation  
33 industry and expanding our base. The economy now needs the influx of capital and  
34 with banks still not lending, the need for capital is expanding in this area and is very  
35 hard to find. There was an interesting discussion from the Lieutenant General from the  
36 Center for Simulation at UCF. That is a \$5 billion industry and he mentioned several  
37 areas from Lake Mary down to that area are expanding in the simulation business.  
38 There are a lot of challenges to overcome because Florida is still lagging the rest of the  
39 country by quite a bit.

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41 Mayor Meador said at the Economic Summit, two things came away. One is the do-it-  
42 yourself approach but also create an environment so those that come here can be  
43 successful. If you look at the *Orlando Business Journal* and start listing some of the  
44 superlatives, many of those ranked 1 or 2 are in Lake Mary. A lot of it goes to the  
45 atmosphere that we have tried to create, our public safety department to make sure that  
46 we provide the kind of environment where businesses know if they invest it will be an

1 worthwhile investment. We try to work with our citizens, particularly those who want to  
2 invest in our community, and as we heard during Citizen Participation, for those who  
3 have invested in our community. That momentum is something we have to maintain  
4 and was glad to hear it reinforced today.

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6 Commissioner Duryea commended Commissioner Gray for her steadfast enthusiasm  
7 with which she approached this task that we do. He said he was surprised. He knew  
8 she enjoyed it while she participated and wished her the best of luck in everything she  
9 does from this point on.

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11 Commissioner Duryea thanked everyone for their concern and prayers when his son got  
12 sick in Africa. He is doing well.

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14 Mayor Mealor asked Commissioner Duryea to communicate to his son the community's  
15 appreciation for his willingness to serve and defend us.

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17 Commissioner Duryea said Mayor Mealor's son is also in that position.

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19 D. City Attorney

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21 Ms. Reischmann said she would be giving a report on some of these new bills that are  
22 coming down. There is growth management and a firearms bill that has all kinds of  
23 penalties for cities that is probably going to the Governor if the cities get into fields that  
24 are preempted. If you haven't looked at your *Quality Cities* magazine, there is a good  
25 article on annexation and one on ethics.

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27 XI. Adjournment

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29 There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

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