

1 MINUTES OF THE LAKE MARY CITY COMMISSION MEETING held July 21, 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 Deputy Mayor Brender 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 – Excused  
16 Deputy Mayor Gary Brender  
17 Commissioner George Duryea  
18 Commissioner Jo Ann Lucarelli

John Litton, City Manager  
Carol Foster, City Clerk  
Jackie Sova, Finance Director/  
Assistant City Manager  
John Omana, Com. Dev. Dir.  
Bruce Paster, Public Works Dir.  
Bill Carrico, Parks & Rec. Dir.  
Colin Morgan, Deputy Police Chief  
Craig Haun, Fire Chief  
Robin Drage, Acting City Attorney  
Mary Campbell, Deputy City Clerk

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27 V. Approval of Minutes: July 7, 2001

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29 **Motion was made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve the minutes of the July**  
30 **7, 2011, meeting, seconded by Commissioner Duryea and motion carried**  
31 **unanimously.**

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33 VI. Special Presentations

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35 There were no special presentations at this time.

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37 VII. Unfinished Business

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39 Deputy Mayor Brender announced only three commissioners were present and any item  
40 coming before the Commission this evening requires a 3 – 0 vote to pass. If there are  
41 concerns then bring that up to staff prior to approaching the podium.

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43 A. Ordinance No. 1423 – Acquire property north of Seminole Avenue west of  
44 Fourth Street and east of Fifth Street – Second Reading (Public Hearing)

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46 The Acting City Attorney read Ordinance No. 1423 by title only on second reading.

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2 Mr. Litton said staff has no further comments other to announce the purchase price of  
3 \$38,500 for approximately .52 acres.

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5 Deputy Mayor Brender asked if anyone wanted to speak on this item. No one came  
6 forward and the public hearing was closed.

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8 **Motion was made by Commissioner Lucarelli to approve Ordinance No. 1423 on**  
9 **second reading, seconded by Commissioner Duryea and motion carried by roll-**  
10 **call vote: Commissioner Duryea, Yes; Commissioner Lucarelli, Yes; Deputy**  
11 **Mayor Brender, Yes.**

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13 VIII. New Business

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15 A. Request for approval of Preliminary PUD – Gander Mountain (request by staff  
16 to postpone to August 4, 2011)

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18 Deputy Mayor Brender said there is a request to postpone this item to August 4, 2011.

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20 **Motion was made by Commissioner Duryea to postpone the Preliminary PUD for**  
21 **Gander Mountain to August 4, 2011, seconded by Commissioner Lucarelli and**  
22 **motion carried unanimously.**

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24 B. Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Message – John Litton, City Manager  
25 Setting of:  
26 1. Proposed operating millage rate  
27 2. Current year rolled-back rate  
28 3. Date, time and place of Tentative Budget Hearing

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30 Mr. Litton said in accordance with Section 13.02 of the City Charter, I present my  
31 proposed budget for FY 2012 together with the five-year projections through the year  
32 2016, again with the latter being very important during these challenging times. Each  
33 program summary for FY 2012 includes a pie chart depicting personnel services  
34 compared to operating costs.

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36 Mr. Litton said this process continues to be a moving target as a direct result of the  
37 economy, especially when it comes to estimating revenues as well as projecting future  
38 costs for goods and services. However, the City of Lake Mary is financially stable and  
39 despite significant reduction in specific revenues has not been negatively impacted  
40 when it comes to maintaining service levels as well as moving forward without raising  
41 taxes. This budget also provides for the anticipated costs associated with my departure  
42 in early January and the corresponding needs associated with that transition.

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44 Mr. Litton said our rolled-back rate as defined by Florida Statutes for 2012 and  
45 calculated by the Seminole County Property Appraiser's Office is 3.8625 mills with a mill  
46 in the City projected to represent \$1,647,416 in FY 2012 at the 95% collection rate

1 compared to \$1,748,950 in 2011. This figure is important as it shows what is happening  
2 with property values and there is not a lot of encouraging news going forward.

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4 Mr. Litton said this budget calls for a levy of 3.6355 mills for 2012 which is 5.88% less  
5 than the rolled-back rate and the same number that was levied in 2011. It does not  
6 increase any fees or other charges for services provided. State law only requires a  
7 simple majority vote of the Commission to approve this recommendation. If you were to  
8 adopt the rolled-back rate which is calculated to be 3.8625 mills, that would require a  
9 two-thirds vote and any levy between that number and the 10 mill maximum requires  
10 unanimous approval. The latter would be the case if you decided to balance without  
11 using any reserves because the needed calculated levy would be 3.9999 mills.

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13 Mr. Litton said the General Fund Debt Service for 2012 is \$667,287 which has been  
14 significantly reduced this year because we paid off the incurred 2003 obligation in May  
15 of this year. All other funds, including Water and Sewer, are debt free. Our Unreserved  
16 Fund Balance as a percent of General Fund Expenditures at the close of Fiscal Year  
17 2012 will be approximately 73.5%.

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19 Mr. Litton said assuming the proposed millage rate is adopted, total General Fund  
20 Revenues are estimated to go down \$1,055,580 from 2011 with General Fund Balance  
21 at the end of 2012 projected at \$13,003,788. This compares to the FY 2011 estimate of  
22 \$13,581,123 and \$15,145,580 actual in 2010. As has been our past practice we never  
23 want to let the General Fund Balance intentionally fall below \$10,000,000 primarily to  
24 protect us in the event of a major storm event. We know that such things as debris  
25 removal and payroll have to be paid upon performance.

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27 Mr. Litton said a lot of thought has gone into our revenue projections in an attempt to  
28 ensure that they continue to be reflective of today's economy and what we see coming  
29 at us. In the General Fund, projected income from ad valorem taxes at the 95%  
30 collection rate is estimated to go down almost \$400,000 in 2012, and  
31 telecommunication taxes an additional \$300,000. However, for the first time in several  
32 years we anticipate significant increases in revenue on the building side based on 623  
33 projected housing starts. When all is said and done, the net reduction in General Fund  
34 Revenues is going to be approximately \$50,000 for next year. I don't see a lot of  
35 improvement in the near future and expect property values to continue their downward  
36 trend for at least the next two years.

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38 Mr. Litton said we are proposing to spend \$599,794 of General Fund surplus next year  
39 to balance and basically maintain the same level of service we now provide our citizens.  
40 We are able to do this because we have always maintained a conservative spending  
41 policy even during the good times. We propose to continue to invest dollars in the  
42 Downtown Development District with the goal of creating a long-term high-end tax base.  
43 The bottom line is that now the SunRail is back on track we are going to have to make  
44 some additional financial investments including infrastructure improvements, property  
45 acquisition, and possibly mass transportation for riders to and from the train if we want  
46 to see that area to become a true destination where people live, work, shop, eat, and

1 play. I am confident that many balls that fell to the ground after SunRail was put on hold  
2 will once again become opportunities. Now the challenge is to keep them in the air  
3 knowing full well that if one falls others may follow leaving us back at ground zero. To  
4 that end I have included in this budget \$175,000 in General Government for continued  
5 professional assistance as needed and am optimistic that those dollars will be returned  
6 many times over in the next several years. This includes not only a focus on  
7 public/private partnerships but also utilizing the properties we acquired over the years to  
8 either sell for private development or use for infrastructure. We must continue to buy  
9 smaller properties in the area which makes the Downtown Development District more  
10 attractive for future development.

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12 Mr. Litton said I also think we should approach the County about our taking over North  
13 Country Club Road between Lake Mary Boulevard and Grace United Methodist Church.  
14 I believe the acquisition and control of this piece of roadway will give us so many new  
15 opportunities to encourage foot traffic and greatly enhance the aesthetics of the area.  
16 C-15 should be the primary gateway into the Downtown and while there will be some  
17 associated maintenance costs down the road, this should be viewed as an investment.  
18 As I stated last year, we don't need more pretty pictures. We need to see bricks and  
19 mortar and having control of that roadway is extremely important to the overall vision.

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21 Mr. Litton said we have also funded the City's payment to the 17-92 CRA in the amount  
22 of \$63,114. Lake Mary is currently committed through the Fall of 2017 but the Seminole  
23 County Commission can extend all participants to include Lake Mary for a third ten-year  
24 increment with or without our approval.

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26 Mr. Litton said I am proposing no additional personnel in FY 2012, however, in the Fire  
27 Department it became obvious via employee feedback that we needed some common  
28 coordination of training efforts. With the recent departure of one of our fire inspectors, I  
29 have split that position in half with the idea of hiring a part-time employee with a  
30 background in fire to help with training on the suppression side and the other half to  
31 perform public education within the Fire Prevention Division. That function will also be  
32 supplemented by on-duty firefighters during their available time. Additional monies  
33 totaling \$11,750 have been included for employee development in the Fire Department.  
34 Keeping our existing employees competitive with salaries, benefits and technology is  
35 just as important as we continue to do more with less. I am proposing to give  
36 employees with one or more years of service and no promotional increase of more than  
37 5% during the past year a 1% pay plan adjustment effective October 3<sup>rd</sup>. In addition, I  
38 would like to make all employees eligible for a 1% merit increase on their merit eligibility  
39 date. Those that are topped out in their respective range will be eligible for a non-  
40 reoccurring performance bonus in the same amount. The total cost of these pay  
41 increases will not exceed \$250,235 including benefits. I am happy to report that no  
42 positions will be eliminated nor will we need to do any major organization restructuring  
43 unless attrition provides that opportunity down the road.

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45 Mr. Litton said I am not recommending any changes to the sick leave buy back, safety  
46 incentive, or take-home vehicle policy which is certainly as liberal as most for both

1 general and public safety employees but does not come without a significant cost.  
2 Overall 2012 estimated costs in fuel for fleet operations is \$308,657.84 citywide of  
3 which more than half is consumed by the Police Department. Our existing longevity  
4 program is still funded in this budget but the policy may have to be tweaked as a result  
5 of a new state law which now limits some aspects of public employee compensation.  
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7 Mr. Litton said I also think it is important that while we may not have a lot of good news,  
8 our property and casualty insurance premiums to include workers' comp and vehicle  
9 liability went down again by \$96,609. Rest assured the market for property insurance is  
10 hardening due to all the recent worldwide disasters, and even if we escape a major  
11 hurricane this year, premiums are going to go up significantly.  
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13 Mr. Litton said on the health side, the City's contributions toward this employee benefit  
14 are in excess of one million dollars and who knows what the future holds based on  
15 healthcare reform and hopefully, at some point, the introduction of our own health clinic  
16 along with our eventually converting to a self-insurance program. We just received an  
17 initial analysis from our health clinic consultant with those results indicating that it is  
18 feasible to move forward but only in a very cautious manner and preferably with a  
19 partner. We will be having this item on a future agenda for discussion and direction.  
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21 Mr. Litton said in General Fund Capital Projects we estimate \$734,583, excluding  
22 \$2,700,000 in carry-forward monies, for the Sand Pond Road/Skyline Drive road  
23 improvements that will be reimbursed to the City via Seminole County as part of the  
24 Second Generation One-Cent Sales Tax. Bids have been opened and awarded for  
25 construction along with corresponding CE&I services to start in August. Most of the  
26 carry-forward monies are a direct result of SunRail being put on hold which, together  
27 with new appropriations, will hopefully keep us moving ahead toward having a true  
28 Downtown destination within five years.  
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30 Mr. Litton said total new money allocated in this document for General Fund Capital  
31 Projects is \$703,253 which includes \$300,000 for street resurfacing;, \$10,000 as our  
32 contribution toward a grant for smoke detectors to be distributed by the Fire  
33 Department; \$10,000 for replacement of a thermal imaging camera; and \$13,000 in  
34 matching grants. In the Police Department \$21,499 for laptop computers; \$18,770 for  
35 portable radio replacements; \$11,240 for in-car cameras; \$5,500 for ticket writers; and  
36 \$6,500 for ballistic shield/entry vests for our SWAT team. In General Government we  
37 have \$30,000 in additional money appropriated for Downtown beautification; \$200,000  
38 for land acquisition; \$20,000 for SunRail enhancement upgrades; \$16,000 for desktop  
39 computer replacement; and \$17,000 for network upgrades and development. As a  
40 result of our continued investment into our AS400 system, which includes the software  
41 applicable to the day-in and day-out operations of the Police Department, we are in the  
42 process of installing a small generator at City Hall which will help protect and run that  
43 system during power interruptions which seem to be occurring more frequently than in  
44 the past. It should be up and running before we get into the most dangerous part of  
45 hurricane season.  
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1 Mr. Litton said another major cost for that City that we have no control over is a basic  
2 new radio system starting with the Police and Fire Departments. Seminole County  
3 recently approved the new system which has been mandated by the Federal  
4 Communications Commission starting in 2014 that leaves the bulk of our existing radios  
5 worthless because they will not be able to flash with the County's new system. We are  
6 facing expenditures of \$23,244 in FY 2012 and \$352,226 in FY 2013 in the Police  
7 Department alone and another \$48,689 in 2012 and \$32,940 in 2013 for Fire simply to  
8 be able to communicate.

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10 Mr. Litton said from the Police Second Dollar Education and Training Fund we project to  
11 spend more than \$16,800 in training that will leave a projected fund balance of  
12 \$112,375. From the Law Enforcement Trust Fund, \$7,500 for the DARE Program and  
13 \$3,000 in operating leaving a fund balance of \$282,808. Although there is no specific  
14 appropriation, we also utilize this fund to provide our annual donations during the year  
15 to eligible organizations. From Police Impact Fees, an expenditure of \$25,285 which  
16 includes a radio antenna for the police station costing \$15,285; and \$10,000 for  
17 technology advances that will assist in the efficiency and effectiveness of services they  
18 render and that will leave a balance of \$353,317. We have no expenditures from the  
19 Fire Impact Fees which will have a projected balance of \$209,970 at the close of Fiscal  
20 Year 2012. In the Public Works Impact Fees Fund we have budgeted \$42,000 for a  
21 mini excavator which is used for digging up as well as laying pipe; however, before we  
22 buy a new one we will look to see what is available from the pre-owned perspective  
23 since it is not used that often. That will leave a balance in that fund of approximately  
24 \$20,000. From Recreational Impact Fees, we have scheduling software budgeted for  
25 the Events Center in the amount of \$11,205, along with \$10,000 for Heritage Park,  
26 leaving a projected balance of \$150,048 at the end of the fiscal year.

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28 Mr. Litton said in the Cemetery Fund, many of the enhancements previously approved  
29 have already been completed including the roadway upgrade, fencing, and gravesite  
30 marking hardware. We have acquired the computer software which has been installed  
31 and is operational. The RFP for the columbaria is going to hit the street next week and  
32 once they are in place then we can complete the landscaping and irrigation along with  
33 benches, lighting, etc. To date there has only been one plot sold in the new section;  
34 however, we anticipate the fund to basically break even in FY 2012 with \$4,025 in  
35 revenues and \$4,000 in operating costs.

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37 Mr. Litton said in the Water and Sewer Fund we estimate total revenues of \$4,188,125  
38 of which \$2,175,000 is water sales. New capital project dollars requested are \$309,000  
39 which includes Well No. 2 rehabilitation - \$150,000; plant component upgrades -  
40 \$25,000; commercial meter testing and repair - \$50,000; ground penetrating radar -  
41 \$29,000; trailer mounted diesel pump - \$20,000; lift station flow meters - \$20,000; lift  
42 station SCADA replacement - \$20,000; and lift station safety - \$10,000. We have  
43 become very focused on that aspect and the Safety Committee has taken on a  
44 tremendous amount of interest in making sure that working environment is as safe as it  
45 can be. We have recently implemented the minimum two-man requirement for lift  
46 stations to ensure if something does happen, he or she has someone to call for help.

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2 Mr. Litton said in the Stormwater Utility Fund, we anticipate revenues of \$280,500 from  
3 stormwater fees and operating expenses of \$499,420. Our focus with capital dollars is  
4 to maintain existing cold mix by applying fog seal or overlays in the amount of \$150,000.  
5 We still have monies appropriated for the improvements to the Downtown right-of-way  
6 near Fourth Street in the Lakeview and Crystal Lake Avenue areas.

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8 Mr. Litton said even though we discussed the need for a rate increase I am now  
9 confident that our existing stormwater fee structure can remain intact for another year  
10 and even longer if specific transportation-related costs are reimbursed from Seminole  
11 County through the Second Generation One-Cent Sales Tax. I sent a letter earlier this  
12 week to the County Manager asking for that consideration since it appears other cities  
13 in Seminole County have gotten some of their money back. The stormwater program  
14 continues to be more and more impacted from a cost perspective by FDEP  
15 requirements which are focused on nutrient reduction, and we know these mandates  
16 are going to become more complex and expensive in future years. Staff is also in the  
17 early stages of developing a new ordinance which will place more responsibilities on  
18 users including maintenance standards for privately owned and maintained retention  
19 ponds.

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21 Mr. Litton said the budget book also includes the fleet maintenance program which  
22 serves some 137 pieces of rolling stock belonging to the City with projected vehicle  
23 replacement lists not only for the year 2012 but through 2016. Next year we are  
24 scheduled to replace two Ford F-250 diesel units in Public Works, a Toro  
25 Groundskeeper mower with attachments, a rescue vehicle, and ten vehicles in the  
26 Police Department with seven of those being marked. A total estimated cost for all of  
27 these replacements is \$585,300.

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29 Mr. Litton said as I recommended last year, the Commission did establish a Charter  
30 Review Committee which did great work but unfortunately due to not having a full  
31 commission we have had to delay discussing their report. I am hopeful we get some of  
32 their recommended questions on the ballot in November or at least by the January  
33 presidential preference primary.

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35 Mr. Litton said we have scheduled our first work session for August 4<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:00  
36 P.M. to go over in detail the proposed budget. We will review each of the operating  
37 programs during our work session but other than what I have already mentioned, they  
38 are pretty much flat. We can also change or have other meetings should that be  
39 necessary to accommodate schedules.

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41 Mr. Litton said in accordance with Florida Statutes, the action required by you tonight is  
42 to establish a proposed millage rate for FY 2012 which I recommend at 3.6355 mills and  
43 the same as the current fiscal year, set the rolled-back rate at 3.8625 mills, and  
44 schedule the first public hearing for September 8, 2011, at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission  
45 Chambers.

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1 Mr. Litton asked that the Commission do this in the form of two motions, the first being  
2 to set the proposed millage and rolled-back rate and the second to schedule the public  
3 hearing.

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5 **Motion was made by Commissioner Lucarelli to set the proposed millage rate at**  
6 **3.6355 mills and the rolled-back rate at 3.8625 mills, seconded by Commissioner**  
7 **Duryea and motion carried by roll-call vote: Commissioner Lucarelli, Yes;**  
8 **Commissioner Duryea, Yes; Deputy Mayor Brender, Yes.**

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10 **Motion was made by Commissioner Lucarelli to set the first public hearing for**  
11 **September 8, 2011, 7:00 P.M., in the Commission Chambers, seconded by**  
12 **Commissioner Duryea and motion carried by roll-call vote: Commissioner**  
13 **Duryea, Yes; Commissioner Lucarelli, Yes; Deputy Mayor Brender, Yes.**

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15 IX. Other Items for Commission Action

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17 There were none at this time.

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19 X. Citizen Participation

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21 No one came forward at this time and citizen participation was closed.

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23 XI. Reports:

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25 A. City Manager

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27 1. Request Commission make appointments/reappointments to the Police Pension  
28 Board and the Redevelopment Planning Agency for two and four years  
29 respectively

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31 Mr. Litton said this is a request for board appointments. The first is the Police Pension  
32 Board that consists of two police officers elected by the members, two residents  
33 appointed by the Commission, and a fifth member who is appointed by the previously  
34 mentioned four. Commissioner Duryea's term on the Police Pension Board expired on  
35 June 28<sup>th</sup>. He asked the Commission to make an appointment or reappointment to  
36 serve a two-year term. He said he had not talked to Commissioner Duryea but  
37 assumed he was willing to continue.

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39 Commissioner Duryea nodded in the affirmative.

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41 Mr. Litton said Sergeant Gregory was reelected by the membership and he asked the  
42 Commission to ratify that in the motion.

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44 **Motion was made by Commissioner Lucarelli to reappoint Commissioner George**  
45 **Duryea to the Police Pension Board and to ratify Sergeant Ronnie Gregory's**

1 **reappointment, seconded by Commissioner Duryea and motion carried**  
2 **unanimously.**

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4 Mr. Litton said we have been notified by the Seminole County Redevelopment Agency  
5 that Commissioner Lucarelli's term on the Redevelopment Planning Agency will expire  
6 in October. In accordance with the interlocal the Commission needs to make an  
7 appointment or reappointment for a four-year term. He said Commissioner Lucarelli has  
8 indicated a willingness to continue.

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10 **Motion was made by Commissioner Duryea to reappoint Commissioner Jo Ann**  
11 **Lucarelli to the Redevelopment Planning Agency, seconded by Commissioner**  
12 **Lucarelli and motion carried unanimously.**

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14 2. Request Commission declare chairs from Police and Fire Departments surplus  
15 and authorize City Manager to dispose of

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17 Mr. Litton said this is a request to declare 13 chairs surplus that we replaced in the  
18 Police and Fire Departments this year as opposed to next year.

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20 **Motion was made by Commissioner Duryea to declare 13 chairs surplus (6 from**  
21 **Fire Department and 7 from Police Department) as outlined in the staff report and**  
22 **authorize the City Manager to dispose of, seconded by Commissioner Lucarelli**  
23 **and motion carried unanimously.**

24  
25 Mr. Litton said the School Board is holding a work session with the County Commission,  
26 mayors and their boards on Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. at the Educational Support  
27 Center located at 400 East Lake Mary Boulevard. The purpose of the meeting is to  
28 present the School Board's financial crisis and discuss possible options including some  
29 form of a new sales tax. The Commission is invited if they would like to attend.

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31 Mr. Litton said staff met with the Broadmoor Road residents and other parties to discuss  
32 limiting traffic on Broadmoor and everybody agreed they wanted to have a public forum  
33 with the City Commission. He requested to schedule that for August 18, 2011, at 5:00  
34 P.M. prior to a regular Commission meeting. Normally we do the second budget and if  
35 we have to we will schedule another but thought we could do it all in one. These people  
36 are anxious to get before the Commission both the pros and cons, and some people  
37 don't want anything done, but they want to be heard. There were no objections from the  
38 Board.

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40 Mr. Litton said the City's Police, Fire and everyone in conjunction with Timacuan will  
41 host National Night Out 2011 on August 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. at the  
42 Timacuan Country Club. There will be public safety demonstrations, food, police and  
43 fire equipment on display, and lots of games and fun for the family. Everyone is invited  
44 to attend.

1 Mr. Litton said that same night the Forest is having their own celebration and they have  
2 invited the Commission to attend and that will be at 4:00 P.M.

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4 Mr. Litton said the "Art of Florida" will begin August 6<sup>th</sup> at the Frank Evans Museum at  
5 158 North Country Club Road. Stop by to view an exhibit of Florida in pictures by local  
6 artists and photographers. Hours are Thursday from 6:30 P.M. to 8:30 P.M., Saturdays  
7 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., or by appointment.

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9 Mr. Litton said it's that time of year when mosquitoes become a problem with outdoor  
10 activities. We entered into an agreement with the County for them to provide mosquito  
11 control in our city. If anyone is having problems with these pests, contact the County at  
12 407-665-5542. We still have our equipment and can assist the County.

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14 B. Mayor

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16 Deputy Mayor Brender stated he would give his report after the commissioners.

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18 C. Commissioners (1)

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20 Commissioner Duryea said he was approached by people that live in Woldunn and they  
21 are concerned with pedestrian travel through their neighborhood and people walking  
22 through there all hours of the night. They wanted to put a gate by the tennis courts and  
23 there was some problem with the City with that. He asked the process they would go  
24 through.

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26 Mr. Omana said we have been in contact with the homeowners' association  
27 representatives. The association has submitted a building permit request to gate off the  
28 area in question. The area in question happens to be a HOA tract. Once the submittal  
29 was reviewed by staff, we raised questions as to did it have the approval of the  
30 appropriate representatives of the HOA and in speaking with the gentleman he  
31 submitted a petition that showed an 87% approval from the residents of Woldunn. In  
32 addition we checked the plat to see if there were any easements that would be affected  
33 by the proposed gating and we have not found that. We just had those developments  
34 this week. With that in mind we will wrap up the final portion of the zoning review and  
35 coordinate with Building and if everything is found in accordance we will sign off and  
36 notify the HOA.

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38 Mr. Litton said we just wanted to make sure there weren't two or three people trying to  
39 close something off from the rest of the people.

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41 Commissioner Lucarelli said she and Mr. Omana have been putting the pressure on  
42 DOT and Seminole County to get something done in our section of the CRA. Although  
43 it may be small we are paying for it and ought to get something out of it. We have a  
44 meeting set up next week and we are pushing for it as best we can.

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46 Deputy Mayor Brender asked if they had any ideas.

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2 Commissioner Lucarelli said landscaping and landscaping in the median.

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4 Commissioner Lucarelli said she attended a Relay for Life planning meeting. Hopefully  
5 we can get someone to keep our team going. The date is April 13 and 14, 2012.

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7 B. Mayor

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9 Deputy Mayor Brender said every time he goes to Atlanta he uses the MARTA system  
10 subway and was thrilled to see SunRail back on track. MARTA is an amazing system  
11 and is an expensive system. The fare box covers 25-26% of operating costs and the  
12 rest is covered by the City of Atlanta so it is a huge expense. He said I-75 and I-85  
13 have 16 lanes in downtown Atlanta along with a full subway system and it still has the  
14 worst traffic in the world. We need to come up with some viable transportation system  
15 in the future, and we had sure better start working on it because we are probably a  
16 decade or two behind a city the size of Atlanta. He thought they could operate SunRail  
17 with an above ground system and would hope we can get the kind of money that they  
18 plan to generate which is 35-40% to cover expenses. The key is utilizing some kind of  
19 transportation system to move people from the train system to the areas where they  
20 are going to be working, playing and shopping so we have challenges ahead and we  
21 will work through that to get it done.

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23 D. City Attorney

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25 Ms. Drage had no report at this time.

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27 XII. Adjournment

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29 There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

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35 Gary L. Brender, Deputy Mayor

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38 Mary Campbell, Deputy City Clerk

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42 ATTEST:

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Carol A. Foster, City Clerk