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MEETING AGENDA

Program: Michael Reynolds, AICP, from the Planning Department of the City of Clearwater

Topic: Amendments to the Community Development Code. Attempting to reflect City development patterns & improving consistency with the City Comprehensive Plan, County-wide rules & Florida Statutes.

Report of Nominating Committee
Old and New Business
Committee Reports
Neighborhood Issues

Words of wisdom:

A failure to plan is a plan to fail.

Always remember to plan ahead



When & Where CNC meeting
Monday, November 7, 2005 7:00 P.M.
Long Center Boardroom—Upstairs
1501 Belcher Road —Clearwater

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 3, 2005 MEETING

Have your directors names or addresses changed? Notify Rich Glasgow (791-9317) to ensure that you promptly receive this newsletter.

Ever think about nominating your neighborhood for the Neighborhood of the Quarter? E--mail or call Janis Smith at 562-4665 Doesn't your neighborhood deserve the recognition?

- 1. President Doug Williams called the meeting to order.
2. City Council member John Doran gave us a review of the City budget. The complete City budget can be accessed online through the City website at "myclearwater.com"
Some highlights:
The City millage rate remains at 5.753. The total proposed millage rate for 2005 would increase to 23.2372, due to a slight increase in the school board rate.
Almost half of the general fund expenditures are for public safety expenses, with another 24% going to quality of life type expenses.
Only 40% of general fund revenues come from property taxes. The rest comes from fees & taxes, interfund transfers, other government and miscellaneous.
Total general fund revenues will increase close to \$9 million, largely due to a \$1.2 billion increase in property tax values, with rental and commercial property providing the largest share of that increase.
Of the 8.9 million increase, fire will get 3.1 million, police 1.9 million, parks & recreation 1.9 million, public works 0.8 million, and other departments 1.2 million.
Clearwater fire and rescue response statistics show that the City has benefited from mutual aid sharing with other cities' departments, receiving 4100 responses in exchange for giving 2400 responses.
Since 2000 the City has added 188,100 square feet of facilities and expanded or replaced 102,200 square feet.
In the proposed budget, the City will add 32.4 full time equivalent positions, with 12 of those positions in the fire department to meet contract settlement obligations.
Many other positions are due to new and expanded facilities, or to save money on hiring of outside contractors.
Each mill of property tax generates about 8.3 million in revenue.
Interesting City of Clearwater trivia:
Clearwater was incorporated on June 2, 1897 as a town.
Estimated population in 2003 was 109,719.
Fiscal year runs from October 1-September 30
Median age in 2003 estimated at 43.9
Number of households estimated in 2002 as 49,674, with 62.2% owner occupied.
2003 median per capita income was \$31,408
Land area is 25.45 square miles and 8.6 square miles of water.
Tons of waste recycled--25,820
Miles of paved streets--304.5
Sanitary sewer mains--363 miles
Storm sewer mains--147 miles
Water mains--567 miles
Gas mains--729 miles
Acres of parkland--1,130
Public shuffleboard courts--62
3. Minutes of the September 12 meeting were accepted as published.
4. Doug reported only newsletter expenses since last meeting's treasurer statement.
5. Update on February Conference: Countryside Recreation Center has been reserved. CNC information will be posted on City website. Placement of the expo booths and workshops was discussed. Three major sponsors have been obtained. Next step is to solidify who to get as speakers and presenters--please email any suggestions.

Clearwater's Community Response Team handles code violations. To report a violation call 562-4720.

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THE PURPOSE OF THE COALITION AS STATED IN OUR BY-LAWS

- A. To provide a forum to gather and exchange information concerning common and unique goals and problems of member associations, and to use the combined strength to achieve mutually agreed objectives.
- B. To promote desirable development in association areas and to support civic and legislative efforts to effect such development.
- C. To assist public authority in policing and maintaining proper behavior within member association areas.
- D. To monitor and make recommendations on governmental services to member association areas.
- E. To engage in such other activities as may be of benefit to the associations which comprise this COALITION.

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