



## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION FEBRUARY 4, 2014

Pursuant to due notice, a regular meeting of the Commission of the City of Altamonte Springs, Seminole County, was held at 225 Newburyport Avenue, in said City on February 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT WERE:** Commissioners Batman, Reece, Wolfram, Hussey and Mayor Bates

**ALSO PRESENT WERE:**

Frank Martz	-	City Manager
Mary Sneed	-	Assistant City Attorney
Erin O'Donnell	-	City Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bates at 7:00 p.m.

### INVOCATION:

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion:** Moved by Commissioner Wolfram, seconded by Commissioner Reece, to approve the minutes of the workshop and regular Commission Meeting of January 21, 2014 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

### INFORMAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE FLOOR: None

### **1. PUBLIC HEARING** **2<sup>ND</sup> READING**

**Ordinance 1667-13-** Request to annex two properties, Parcel "A" located on the 9600-block of Discovery Court and Parcel "B" located at 681 Gateway Drive

The attorney read the title of the ordinance into the record. No members of the public addressed the Commission on this item.

**Motion:** Moved by Commissioner Hussey, seconded by Commissioner Batman to approve and adopt Ordinance 1667-13 on second and final reading. Commissioner Batman – yes; Commissioner Reece – yes; Commissioner Wolfram – yes; Commissioner Hussey – yes; Mayor Bates – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**2. PUBLIC HEARING**  
**1<sup>ST</sup> READING**

- A. Ordinance 1668-13-** Request to change future land use designation of two properties, Parcel “A” located on the 9600-block of Discovery Court and Parcel “B” located at 681 Gateway Drive

The attorney read the title of the ordinance into the record. No members of the public addressed the Commission on this item.

**Motion:** Moved by Commissioner Hussey, seconded by Commissioner Reece to approve and adopt Ordinance 1668-13 on first reading and set second reading for February 18, 2014. Commissioner Batman – yes Commissioner Reece – yes; Commissioner Wolfram – yes; Commissioner Hussey – yes; Mayor Bates – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. Ordinance 1669-13-** Request to rezone two properties, Parcel “A” located on the 9600-block of Discovery Court and Parcel “B” located at 681 Gateway Drive

The attorney read the title of the ordinance into the record. No members of the public addressed the Commission on this item.

**Motion:** Moved by Commissioner Wolfram, seconded by Commissioner Batman to approve and adopt Ordinance 1668-13 on first reading and set second reading for February 18, 2014. Commissioner Batman – yes Commissioner Reece – yes; Commissioner Wolfram – yes; Commissioner Hussey – yes; Mayor Bates – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

**3. DISCUSSION**

Board Appointments

Commissioner Batman appointed Bunny Cobery and Walter Pyne to the Redistricting Committee. Commissioner Hussey reappointed Kathy Miller to Personnel Administration Board and to Redistricting along with Connie Bays

**4. FINANCE ITEMS**

City Surplus Equipment and Machinery

**Motion:** Moved by Commissioner Wolfram, seconded by Commissioner Batman to approve the finance item and send items to auction. Motion carried unanimously.

**INFORMAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE FLOOR:** None

**REPORTS:**

**CITY ATTORNEY-** None

**CITY CLERK**- None

**CITY MANAGER**

Commented that HGTV started to film segments for their coverage on the City and it was exciting and great to hear in interviews by residents what it's like living in Altamonte and why they love to live here.

He reminded the Commission about the Gateway Drive Grand Opening happening next Thursday. The area looks excellent. It isn't going to be a long ceremony but it is an important one as we starting developing that area in 1996.

Lastly, he updated the Commission on the status of the third generation sales tax. The County has projected to exhaust their reserves by 2015. The tax they originally intended to pass- the Charter County Surtax- was not going to move forward as they felt a transit tax would not be favorable. After polling data was collected, they believe by sharing the funds with Seminole County Public Schools, it may be a more attractive option.

Some issues he is working through is that County staff is still working on the distribution formula for the proceeds of the sales tax. Since past distributions were based on previous actual costs, the distribution would not be favorable for the times we live in today and costs increases in the future. Several other cities along with Altamonte Springs have adopted their own stormwater taxes and it's an issue because since our citizens already pay for stormwater, they shouldn't have to pay twice. An option to allocate distribution based on population count is an unfavorable option. Our current capital improvements call for a large pull on funds and increasing environmental regulations may change our amount needed.

Once approved by the County, it will be shared by an Interlocal Agreement and placed on the ballot. The County Commission will be placing this issue on a mail-only ballot in May. They are working very swiftly and meetings are happening quickly. We are respective of their timeline but Mr. Martz is making sure we get the best equitable deal for our residents. Internally, we are making a lot of upcoming decisions quickly and we will be as prepared as possible. Mr. Martz will be updating the Commission as he knows further.

Commissioner Batman asked what the ramifications of not approving the Interlocal Agreement were. Mr. Martz replied that it was a great question which still requires more legal research because Statutes describe how distributions are dispersed in the absence of an Interlocal Agreement; it is not clear on implications if all cities do not sign.

He would be happy to answer any questions and keep them informed as he knows more.

**COMMISSIONER BATMAN**- None

**COMMISSIONER REECE**

Reminded the Commission that March 1<sup>st</sup> is Opening Day for Baseball and she hopes to see everyone there.

**COMMISSIONER HUSSEY**

Wanted to share that a friend of his, Jerry Collins, is running for reelection this year for Circuit Judge and he has enjoyed worked with her during his time as a court mediator.

**COMMISSIONER WOLFRAM**- None

**MAYOR BATES**- None

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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MAYOR

  
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CITY CLERK

