

**JANUARY 12, 2000**

The City Commission met in regular session and took the following action (Mayor Maddox absent):

**Item 1** - Voted 4-0 (Mayor Maddox absent) to approve a request by the **Downtown Improvement Authority (DIA)** to allow the use of the walkway on the north side of City Hall between Adams Street and Duval Street, descending to Kleman Plaza with the Odyssey Museum to the left and the soon-to-be-built Challenger Center to the right, for the **Downtown Live 2000! Countdown to the Millennium Brick Paver Project**, as proposed by the DIA -- a walkway featuring names of families and individuals in the community by selling inscribed commemorative bricks at a cost of approximately \$35 each to every member of the community desiring to participate in the national initiative and theme to "Honor the Past and Imagine the Future".

Ms. Donata Glassmeyer, representing the DIA, appeared before the Commission relative to this item.

**Item 2** - By consensus, approved the concept of a proposal by **Leadership Tallahassee Class XVII** to convert the vacant lot at Dantzler and Magnolia to a pocket park for the South City neighborhood and authorized the staff to continue working with the group to work out details of the project; commended the group for bringing the proposal forward and suggested exploration of the concept of environmental pocket parks Citywide

The following persons appeared before the Commission relative to this item:

Ms. Diana Hanson, P. O. Box 191, and Mr. David Haight, 1901 Commonwealth Lane, representing Leadership Tallahassee Class XVII

Mr. Albert G. Green, 829 E. Magnolia, Vice President of the South Side Neighborhood Association

**Item 3** - Presented a proclamation proclaiming Saturday, January 15, 2000 to the "Arbor Day, 2000" in the City of Tallahassee

Ms. Ann Bidlingmaier, Chairman of the Canopy Roads Committee and Arbor Green, appeared before the Commission relative to this item.

**Items 4-5, 7-17 and 19, Consent Agenda** - Voted 4-0 (Mayor Maddox absent) to approve the staff's recommendations presented in Consent Agenda Items 4-5 and 7-19, taking action as follows:

Item 4 - Awarded contract for the custody metering installation and system protection upgrades for the Purdom Power Plant Switchyard (part of the Purdom Unit 8 Project) to **MasTec Energy Services, Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$98,775 (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Power Engineering*)

Item 5 - Awarded contract for the Hopkins Power Plant Electric and Instruments (E & I) Shop relocation and refurbishment to **Bass Construction Company, Inc.**, lower cost of two firms with continuing price agreements with the City, in the amount of \$82,398 (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations*)

**Item 6 - Pulled for discussion a staff recommendation to approve a new agreement for a two-year extension of the annual line clearance tree-trimming agreement with Asplundh Tree Expert Co. (proposed by Electric Operations/Electric Transmission & Distribution)**

Item 7 - Awarded two-year continuing price agreements for the purchase of PVC pipe and fittings from the following low bidders meeting specifications (*Option 1 as proposed by Procurement Services*)

**U. S. Filter Distribution Group, Inc.** \$3,018

**Hughes Supply, Inc.** \$187,465.65

Item 8 - Awarded contract for a three-year continuing price agreement for the printing of utility bill forms and envelopes to **Better Business Forms, Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Procurement Services*)

Item 9 - Awarded a three-year continuing price agreement for dumpster rental services from **Marpan Supply Co., Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the estimated three-year usage amount of \$75,000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Procurement Services*)

Item 10 - Awarded two-year continuing price agreements for the purchase of water and sewer materials from the following low bidders meeting specifications (*Option 1 as proposed by Procurement Services*):

**U. S. Pipe** \$252,627.00

**Sunstate Meter** \$152,686.00

**Hughes Supply** \$714,389.20

**U.S. Filter** \$636,388.80

**Capital City Pipes** \$103,489.76

Item 11 - Awarded two-year continuing price agreements for the purchase of traffic signals to **U.S. Traffic Corporation**, low bidder meeting specifications, in an estimated two-year cost of \$51,335 (*Option 1 as proposed by Procurement Services*)

Item 12 - Awarded a negotiated construction management services contract for Fire Station No. 15 (Bannerman Road) to **Ajax Building Corporation**, second-ranked firm, for a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) of \$1,674,200 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Engineering*)

Item 13 - Awarded the purchase of one (1) motorgrader from **Ring Power Corp.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$124,765 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet*)

Item 14 - Approved Change Order No. 1, in the amount of \$85,007.42, to the contract with **Singhofen & Associates, Inc.**, to cover additional engineering services related to the "fast track" initiative and the segmenting of Phase I of the FSU/COT Regional Stormwater Facility Project, for a revised total contract amount of \$365,592.42 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Stormwater Management*)

Item 15 - Awarded the purchase of two (2) trailer mounted pulling systems for Electric Operations replacement vehicles from **Sherman & Reilly, Inc. of Chattanooga, Tennessee**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$142,670 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet*)

Item 16 - Approved a deduct change order, in the amount of \$81,777.58, and authorized the execution of an agreement to terminate an engineering contract with **Sverdrup, Inc.**, including a task order in progress, prior to the completion of all work that had been previously authorized by the Commission for the Caroline Courts Subdivision Flood Mitigation Project – for a total revised contract amount of \$26,173.42 for the surveying portion of the project pursuant to the settlement agreement (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Stormwater Management*)

Item 17 - Approved the award of a construction contract for the Swatts Road Water Main Replacement Project to **Peavy & Sons**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$93,704.50 (*Option 1 as proposed by Water Utilities*)

*Item 18 - Pulled for discussion a staff recommendation to approve a settlement of the eminent domain action taken by the City to acquire property from **Devoe Moore and Shirley Moore**, necessary for the Appleyard Drive / Mission Road Realignment Project (proposed by the City Attorney)*

Item 19 - Approved the **minutes** of the Regular City Commission Meetings of September 22 and October 13, 1999 and the Special City Commission Meeting of October 13, 1999

**Item 6 (pulled from consent)** - Confirmed with staff that prior audit concerns had been addressed and voted 4-0 to approve a new agreement with revised contract language for a two-year extension of the annual line clearance tree-trimming agreement with **Asplundh Tree Expert Co.**, as presented, for estimated costs of \$2,675,000 for FY2000, \$2,738,000 for FY2001 and \$2,802,000 for FY2002 (with Asplundh paying back over the three years the City's

overpayment of \$75,000 due to the unclear language of the previous contract) (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Electric Transmission & Distribution*)

**Item 18 (pulled from consent)** - By consensus, approved a settlement of the **eminent domain action** taken by the City to acquire property from **Devoe Moore and Shirley Moore**, necessary for the Appleyard Drive / Mission Road Realignment Project, providing for payment of \$600,000 to Devoe Moore and Shirley Moore, with the City to provide stormwater management capacity for the remaining acre owned by the Moores, subject to existing land use regulations (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney*)

Received a briefing by the City Attorney on the involvement of the **City Real Estate Committee** in reviewing all land purchases valued at \$100,000 or more, including the land referenced in Item 18

**Item 20 - Deleted from the agenda an item to amend the *Historic Properties Grant and Loan Program* (proposed by Economic Development)**

**Item 21** - Voted 3-0 (Mayor Maddox and Commissioner Bailey absent) to approve the **Conceptual Approval Agreement with the Florida Communities Trust** for the joint acquisition and management of the **Timberlane Ravines** (Archdiocese and Richter properties), and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement and related documents necessary for the closing – with the FCT to pay 40% of all acquisitions costs estimated at approximately \$900,000, and the City's share to come from the Greenspace Acquisition Program with the Capital Improvement Fund (CIF) being the funding source (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 21.1** - Voted 4-0 to approve a mediated settlement of the **Circuit Court Case, Mitchell Brothers, Inc. v. City of Tallahassee, Leon County #97-2400**, relative to the City's termination of the construction contract with Mitchell Brothers for the **Blair Stone Road Southern Extension**, with the City to pay Mitchell Brothers \$450,000 – with a supplemental appropriation of \$500,000 to be transferred into Project No. 90017 from the Sales Tax Fund and \$50,000 to be paid to the anticipated remaining amount due to the City's outside counsel (*as proposed by the City Attorney*)

The Commission also commended City Attorney English and outside counsel (the Ausley Law Firm) for a good job.

**Item 22** - Heard scheduled comments from Mr. Wilton H. Baker, III, West Brevard St., who appeared on behalf of Mr. Ronald W. Jefferson, of the **Mount Olive Housing & Community Development Corporation, Inc.**, proposing to assume development responsibilities for the Carolina Place Joint Venture, which was part of the Frenchtown revitalization effort.

Voted 3-0 (Mayor Maddox and Commissioner Bailey absent) to approve the staff's recommendation to take necessary steps to secure the City's investment in the **Carolina Place joint venture** (comprised of Florida Affordable Housing, Inc. and Mt. Olive Community Housing Development Corporation, Inc.) and lien amounts or by taking possession of the property, and continue current discussions and ongoing negotiations with viable entities regarding the development of this property for affordable housing (*as proposed by Neighborhood & Community Services*)

**Item 22.1 - Deleted from the agenda the scheduled appearance of Mr. John Barley regarding Item 20, amendment to the *Historic Properties Grant and Loan Program***

**Unagendaed -**

Ms. Carol Wintermute, 1693 Silverwood Drive, appeared before the Commission relative to concerns with the location of the DIA's proposed brick paver project (Item 1).

The City Manager requested that Ms. Wintermute talk with Assistant City Manager Tom Coe relative to being kept informed on the **DIA's brick paver project behind City Hall**.

By consensus, approved Commissioner Meisburg's proposal to conduct a **community wide telecommunications meeting, set January 27, 2000**

By consensus, approved Commissioner Meisburg's proposal to initiate a discussion with representatives of such entities as the Leon County Board of County Commissioners, the Leon County School Board, Blueprint 2000 and the Environmental Consensus Committee relative to **taxing issues**

Concurred with the City Manager's suggested date of February 7, 2000 for a **presentation by Blueprint 2000 with a cost estimate**

**SUMMARY OF COMMISSION MEETING**  
**JANUARY 19, 2000**

**TARGET ISSUES WORKSHOP**

The City Commission met in regular target issue workshop session and took the following action (Commissioner Meisburg absent):

**Item 1 - Presentation by the Utility Customer Service Standards Training Team**

Received a staff presentation with a Customer Service Standards Training video, indicating that the training evaluations completed were extremely positive and reflected an enthusiastic and customer-oriented workforce

**Item 2 - Frenchtown Revitalization Status Report**

Discussed the purchase of property on the southwest corner of West Carolina Street and McComb Street

Received a Frenchtown Revitalization Status Report -- including Frenchtown Renaissance Center, Carolina Place Phase I, Fred Lee Park, Taylor House, Lowes' Property Exchange, Adderly Plaza, Carter/Howell/Strong Fountain, Urban Entertainment Center, and Front Porch Florida

Voted 4-0 (Commissioner Meisburg absent) to accept the report and authorize staff to expend \$85,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to acquire the property located at the Southwest corner of Macomb Street and West Carolina Street for use in the Frenchtown revitalization effort, and authorize an additional \$15,000 in CDBG funds to be awarded to the Tallahassee Urban League to complete the historical restoration of the Taylor House located at 450 W. Georgia Street (*Option 1 as proposed by Neighborhood and Community Services*)

(Mr. Doug Brown, representing the Bank of America, d.b.a. NationsBank, presented Mrs. Darryl Scott, President of the Frenchtown Neighborhood Improvement Association, with a check for \$5,000 in support of the Front Porch initiative and the Frenchtown Coalition, for a literacy program in the Frenchtown community)

**Item 3 - Charter County Government for Leon County**

Received Constitutional and Legislative background defining a charter county government

Received a brief overview of the Charter County Government "**home rule charter**" for Leon County as presented in the Leon County draft charter and an explanation of county government and charter county government

Discussed the effects of a charter county form of government on municipalities within the State of Florida

Discussed duplication of services and the effect this would have on residents

Discussed concerns regarding the Leon County government's financial problems, the possibility of the County taking control over Growth Management, Environmental and Land Use, and the fact that charter county governments were in highly urbanized areas that included numerous municipalities were areas where a county charter appeared to be effective

Received information on action taken by the County Commission to form a citizens' committee with a seat set aside for City participation on that committee to further consider issues of Leon County movement towards a charter county form of government

**JANUARY 26, 2000**

The City Commission met in regular session and took the following action:

**Item 1** - Presented a proclamation commending Florida State University (FSU) and pledging city of Tallahassee support for **FSU's Festival of the Arts: "Seven Days of Opening Nights"**, a selection of fine and performing arts featuring globally recognized artists, campus supporting acts and community arts events during a week of extravaganza performances, exhibits, drama, music, dance, concerts, literary discussions, etc., scheduled for February 18-26, 2000

FSU President Sandy D'Alemberte appeared before the Commission relative to this item and recognized a number of individuals for their assistance in planning the FSU Arts Festival, including Ms. Donna McHugh and Ms. Maxine Stern for being principally responsible for planning the festival, and Ms. Diane Greer and Ms. Fran Conoway for their assistance. He also acknowledged the help of Dr. Charles Wright, and thanked the Commissioners and city staff for their assistance as well.

**Item 1.1** - Presented a proclamation formally proclaiming the city of Tallahassee to be "**A Millennium Community**" as officially named by President and Mrs. Clinton as the result of the submittal of a joint application by the City and FSU

Members of the Tallahassee Millenium Committee appeared before the Commission relative to this item, including, FSU President D'Alemberte, Mayor Scott Maddox, City Commissioner Steve Meisburg, FSU Representative Maxine Stern, Seven Days of Opening Nights Chairperson Margo Benthart, *Tallahassee Democrat* Editorial Board Editor Mary Ann Lindley. President D'Alemberte and Mayor Maddox accepted proclamations from Commissioner Meisburg.

**Item 1.2** - Voted 5-0 to conceptually support Mayor Maddox in calling a meeting of representatives of organizations in the city of Tallahassee that had received honors during 1999 to ask if they would be interested in participating in a downtown celebration in honor of the city's winning institutions by participating in a city-wide parade and celebration, and clarified that this "**Title Town Celebration**" should be done within the city's budget (with the funding source to be identified by the staff and brought back to the Commission for approval)

**Item 2** - Heard comments by Mr. Delmas Barber, Chairperson of the **Human Relations Council**, applauding the Commission for the city's human services policies, for the successful Human Relations Summit recently held as part of the Mayor's race relations initiative, for the work of the Equal Opportunity Department staff, for the Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Program and for city Departments exceeding their MBE goals, and he urged continuing Commission support for equity within this city in terms of program participation and service delivery

**Items 3-7 and 9-13, Consent Agenda** - Voted 5-0 to approve the staff's recommendations presented in Consent Agenda Items 3-7 and 9-13, taking action as follows:

**Item 3** - Received a status report on the three-year **Downtown Sidewalk Replacement Program** begun in Fiscal Year 1998 with revisions for the third and final year, Fiscal Year 2000, resulting from a collaborative assessment by the staff of the Downtown Improvement Authority, the Electric Department, the Public Works Departments, and the Economic Development Department – funded in the capital budget at \$200,000 per year (\$150,000 for construction and \$50,000 for design) in each of Fiscal Years 1998, 1999 and 2000, with \$35,000 per year for maintenance (*presented by Economic Development and Public Works/Streets & Drainage*)

**Item 4** - Approved the maintenance contract renewal of the Continuous Emissions Monitoring Systems (CEMS) at the Hopkins and Purdom Electric Generating Stations with **Spectrum Systems, Inc.**, in the amount of \$106,056, for the first year beginning 1/1/00 (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric/Production*)

**Item 5** - Approved Change Order No. 2 to the contract with **J L Malone & Associates, Inc.** for additional costs associated with the protection and control wiring for Purdom Unit 8 Switchyard Reconstruction, in the amount of \$47,550.16, for a revised contract total of \$2,132,595.16 (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Power Operations*)

**Item 6** - Authorized ISS to purchase from **Dell, Wareforce and Getronics/Wang** the microcomputers, peripherals, software and installation services as approved in Capital Project #00-041, not to exceed \$600,000, utilizing state and city contracts to complete this Microcomputer and Peripheral Upgrade/Replacement Project for FY 2000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Department of Management and Administration [DMA]/Information Systems Services [ISS]*)

**Item 7** - Approved the ranking of the Network Solution Request for Proposals (RFP) and authorized staff to enter into contract negotiations with the top-ranked firm, **Cabletron Systems** (*Option 1 as proposed by DMA/ISS*)

**Item 8** - *Pulled from Consent for discussion a recommendation to accept \$51,743.34 from the state of Florida for costs incurred as a result of the Florida A & M University (FAMU) bombing incident and appropriate \$30,478.59 for overtime costs (proposed by Police/Financial Management)*

**Item 9** - Approved a one-year price agreement for the purchase of dry barrel fire hydrants from **U. S. Filter**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$102,364, and pre-approved purchases which would be made on an as-needed, when-needed basis (*Option 1 as proposed by DMA/Procurement Services*)

**Item 10** - Approved a two-year price agreement for the purchase of gas meters and regulators from the following low bidders meeting specifications, and pre-approved purchases which would be made on an as-needed, when-needed basis (*Option 1 as proposed by DMA/Procurement Services*):

**Avanti Co.** \$55,477.50

**M.T. Deason Co.** \$6,161.20

**Equipment Controls Co.** \$198,335.80

**Item 11** - Approved the purchase of two (2) all-terrain walking excavators from **Menzi USA Sales, Inc.** of Lakeland, Florida, sole source vendor, in the amount of \$333,512 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works*)

**Item 12** - Approved an update to the **Florida Department of Management Services (FDMS) Parking Maintenance Agreement**, executed in 1973, and the installation of 29 new meters in the state's R. A. Gray parking garage at a cost of \$11,000 from the Traffic Engineering operating budget – increasing by \$16,716 the annual meter proceeds retained by the city from \$19,984 (226 meters at 60%) to \$37,700 (255 meters at 100%) (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Traffic Engineering*)

**Item 13** - Approved a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$52,000 from the Water RR&I/UB to Project No. 98466 for necessary utility adjustments; and approve Change Order No. 3, in the amount of \$1,541,400.29, to the contract with **Sandco, Inc.**, for the Appleyard Drive Widening Project and the Mission Road Alternate PASS Project -- for a revised total contract amount of \$6,353,706.95 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works Engineering*)

**Item 14** - *Pulled from consent a recommendation to approve the ranking of firms responding to the Cable Television Franchise Renewal Consultant RFP as recommended by the selection committee and to authorize the Committee Chairperson to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the top-ranked firm considered most qualified at a price considered fair, competitive and reasonable (with authorization to undertake negotiations with the second-ranked firm and then the third-ranked firm should the Chairman not reach agreement with the top-ranked firm, until an agreement is reached) (Option 1 as proposed by Utility Business & Customer Service/Cable Regulations)*

**Item 8, pulled from Consent** - Voted 5-0 to accept \$51,743.34 from the State of Florida for costs incurred as a result of the **Florida A & M University (FAMU) bombing incident** and appropriate \$30,478.59 for overtime costs (*Option 1 as proposed by Police/Financial Management*)

Briefly discussed the fact that the equipment and special weapons tactics team deployed for this kind of incident at State, Capitol, local universities and other institutions in the community were paid for by the city of Tallahassee taxpayers and the city was prepared for such emergencies

**Item 14, pulled from Consent** - Voted 3-2 (Mayor Maddox and Commissioner Billings opposed) to approve the following ranking of firms responding to the Cable Television Franchise Renewal Consultant RFP as recommended by the selection committee and authorize the Committee Chairperson to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the top-ranked firm considered most qualified at a price considered fair, competitive and reasonable (also authorizing negotiations to be undertaken with the second-ranked firm and then the third-ranked firm should the Chairperson not reach agreement with the top-ranked firm, until an agreement is reached) (*Option 1 as proposed by Utility Business & Customer Services/Cable Regulations*):

**Rice, Williams & Associates**

The Baller Herbst

Moss & Barrett

Discussed a suggestion that it would be less expensive to hire in-house staff with the expertise to conduct these kinds of negotiations; stressed the importance of monitoring the consultant use to ensure the total expenditures under this contract were capped at no more than \$100,000; and requested that staff provide information on how much in customer savings had been realized on a franchise fee issue resulting from the prior use of a consultant

**Item 15** - Received an update presented by Legislative Analyst Paige Carter-Smith on the League of Cities' 2000 Legislative Policy Statement, Action Agenda and Issue Briefs, and the City of Tallahassee 2000 Legislative Priorities adopted by the Commission on September 15, 1999

Voted 5-0 to endorse the general principles as outlined by Ms. Carter-Smith and 1) include the addition of an issue relating to Frenchtown Office Space by including proviso language in the Legislative Budget that would ensure that the Florida Department of Management Services (FDMS) could negotiate with the Florida Human Services Commission to rent space from the city of Tallahassee without going through a bid process, 2) defer the designation of an Enterprise Zone, 3) keep abreast of the Senate Growth Management Study Bill, and monitor 4) the representation on a potential Deregulation Study Commission, 5) Statewide solid waste issues impacting on local governments, 6) the telecommunications simplified tax, and 7) municipal revenue sharing legislation that would replace the cigarette tax revenue currently received by municipalities with general revenue from the sales tax.

Received a briefing from Commissioner Meisburg relative to local government playing a more definitive role in addressing the problem of underage drinking and the need to jointly with the universities approach the Legislature to give local government greater authority in certain areas to address that concern

Received a briefing from Mayor Maddox relative to the outcome of the Tallahassee Leadership Roundtable held on January 25, 2000, including some discussion on possibilities for a proposed **Shared Community Legislative Agenda** (jointly developed by different community entities such as the Chamber of Commerce, local college and universities, local hospitals, the Leon County School System, the County government and the city government), how to have joint Legislative issues, and a suggestion to welcome the Legislators to Tallahassee for the upcoming Legislative Session with the presentation of gift baskets that would be delivered with the assistance of some students on February 23, 2000; he reported that top-ranked joint Legislative issues identified as major concerns at the Roundtable were Transportation, Education, Job Growth and Health Care

By consensus, endorsed adding to the city's Legislative Priorities the **underage drinking** issue presented by Commissioner Meisburg and the addition of the **Frenchtown Office Space** issue as requested by Ms. Carter-Smith

Voted 5-0 to endorse the general principles of the **Florida League of Cities Legislative Priorities**

**Item 16** - Voted 5-0 to approve a one-time, prospective, 3% increase in the **pension benefits of current police and fire retirees**, contingent upon the city being granted supplemental plan status (*as proposed by the City Manager and City Treasurer-Clerk*)

**Item 17** - Voted 5-0 to authorize the submittal of a three-year grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for State of Florida highway safety funding to implement a \$300,000 **Traffic Sign Inventory Program**, with grant funding of \$75,000 per year and a 25% city match, and appropriate \$25,000 as first-year matching funds from the Gas Tax Construction Fund (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Traffic Engineering*)

**Item 18** - Voted 5-0 to adopt **Resolution No. 00-R-0001**, consenting to the **Southwood Community Development District (CDD)** assuming full responsibility for neighborhood parks, open spaces and community trail systems in the Southwood Development of Regional Impact (DRI) except for the community park in the southern portion of the district and except as otherwise provided in the Southwood development order (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney's Office*)

Clarified that the this resolution did not apply to the land donated to the public by Southwood, the 62-acre community park, and the resolution was applicable only to the land privately owned by Southwood or St. Joe/Arvida and would continue to be privately owned; confirmed that the parks receiving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding would also be open to the public

**Item 19** - Voted 4-1 (Commissioner Billings opposed) to adopt **Resolution No. 00-R-0005**, endorsing the **Big Bend Center for Human Services** (BBCHS) application to the State Community Contribution Tax Credit Program, and certifying that its Transitional Housing Program is consistent with the city's local plans and regulations (*Option 1 as proposed by NCSD/Housing Division*)

Received a briefing on the services provided by the BBCHS organization, including HIV/AIDS counseling and testing

(Commissioner Meisburg requested that the staff provide him with information on the BBCHS Board membership.)

(Commissioner Billings requested that the staff provide him with additional information to give some assurance that this transitional housing program was in compliance with all State health laws and regulations concerning communicable diseases.)

Confirmed with staff that the adoption of this resolution was contingent upon the transitional housing being purchased and used in a manner that was consistent with all existing codes and requirements of the city and the State

**Item 20** - Deleted from the agenda the scheduled comments by Mr. John Beeman regarding the expenditure of funds for the defense of Officer Salmonson on an issue that occurred during official city business

**Item 21** - Held a public hearing on the **Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare (TMH) Development Agreement**, pursuant to Section 163, Florida Statutes, and scheduled a second/final public hearing for February 9, 2000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Growth Management*)

Received a staff presentation from City Traffic Engineer Debbie Dantin on traffic projections and traffic safety concerns associated with the proposed expansion of TMH, and conceptual alternative road alignments for the extension of Medical Drive

Discussed the applicant's request to rescind the Limited Use Site Plan and abandon the City's 80' right-of-way for the extension of Hodges Drive; discussed the signalization of Medical Drive at Centerville and Miccosukee Roads, the extension of Surgeons Drive, concerns with the Miccosukee/Magnolia intersection increase in traffic; clarified a commitment was on the record to avoid the widening of Betton Road as a means of helping to preserve the neighborhood

Requested the addition of language prohibiting the planting of species that were not suitable and natural in the canopy roads zone, and including requirements about the extent of allowable clearing

Requested that the presidents of the neighborhood associations in the vicinity of TMH be mailed notice of the planned expansion

Voted 4-1 (Mayor Maddox opposed) not to abandon the Limited Use Site Plan and the city's 80' right-of-way for a connector road through the TMH Development

Directed staff to bring back some analysis of the parking lot relocation issue needed for the TMH expansion

The following persons appeared before the Commission relative to this item:

Ms. Nancy Linnan, Esq., Attorney, representing TMH (proponent)

Mr. Bill Giudice, Chief Financial Officer, TMH (proponent)

Mr. Rick Moore, Consultant, Moore Bass & Bibler, representing TMH - Southeast (proponent)

**Item 22** - Held a public hearing, and voted 4-0 (Mayor Maddox absent) to: 1) approve Urban Alternative 1 and its associated four-lane divided typical street cross section route for Orange Avenue Extension, Phase II, 2) direct staff to proceed with the preparation of a Joint Project Agreement (JPA) with Leon County, and 3) proceed with the roadway design phase of the **Orange Avenue Extension Phase II Project** (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Engineering*)

Requested that the staff address concerns of the neighborhood residents, i.e., a sound buffer, an earlier promise about the donated right-of-way, and concerns with the size of the road and its approach to the Dushaine Drive properties

Ms. Jean Littlefield, 3106 Oak Hammock Court, representing the Oak Hammock Homeowners Assn. (proponent; questioned what would be done with the abandoned portion of Paul Russell Road)

Mr. Russ McGregor, 3102 Ortega Drive (proponent)

Ms. Annie L. Taylor, 2345 Monday Street (concerned with the alignment of the road, approach to property lines, and acquisition of land)

Mr. Dan McDaniel, 1907 Ivan Drive (proponent)

Mr. Keith Dantin, Director of Development, Arvida (proponent)

Mr. Roy Chapman, Consultant - Reynolds, Smith and Hills, Inc. (proponent)

**Item 23** - Held a public hearing, and voted 4-0 (Mayor Maddox absent) to find the Notification of Proposed Change (NOPC) No. 1 to the **Southwood DRI** not to be a "substantial deviation" and approve the proposed Amended Development Order found in **Resolution No. 00-R-0002**, subject to two conditions as outlined in the agenda item, including: 1) the revision of Exhibit B (Southwood DRI Phasing Schedule) of the proposed Amended Development Order by incorporating the building square feet of educational uses into the main body of the chart instead of being added as a note, and 2) the inclusion of a reference to the supplementary materials submitted on January 18, 2000 in paragraph 2, Section 1, Findings of Fact, of the proposed Amended Development Order - with the replacement pages provided by the staff (Option 1 as amended as proposed by Growth Management)

**Item 24** - Held a public hearing and voted 4-0 (Mayor Maddox absent) to adopt Ordinance No. 99-O-0049AA, introduced on September 8, 1999, and continued from December 15, 1999, amending the **Commercial Parkway** (CP) zoning district incorporating glitch modifications, recently adopted Comprehensive Plan policies and the establishment of the Planning Department Director as a voting member of the Parking Standards Committee (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 25** - Held a public hearing and voted 5-0 to adopt **Ordinance No. 99-O-0057AA, the EMO Redevelopment Ordinance**, and **Ordinance No. 99-O-0058AA, the Zoning Redevelopment Ordinance**, with no 18-month delay to Sections 3, 5 or 6, implementing recommendations of the Redevelopment Focus Group to reduce regulatory disincentives to redevelopment, and **Resolution No. 99-R-0039**, amending the permit and review fee schedule - with the replacement pages provided by the staff (Option 1 as amended as proposed by Growth Management)

Recognized members of the Redevelopment Advisory Committee: Mr. Curtis Richardson, Mr. Clifford Lamb, Ms. Ann Bidlingmaier, Mr. Patrick Hodges, and Mr. Craig Huffman, and confirmed the consensus of Committee support for the recommended action

Discussed the issue of funding needed for stormwater management retrofit by the government

The following persons appeared before the Commission relative to this item:

Mr. Gray Cartee, 1407 E. Piedmont, representing Sun Capital Properties, Inc. and K-Mart Corp. (proponent)

Mr. Todd Sperry, 7064 Atascadero Lane (proponent)

Mr. Dean Minarde, representing All Saints Development, LLC, 1014 N. Adams Street (proponent)

Mr. Russ McGregor, 3102 Ortega Drive (proponent)

Mr. Tom O'Steen, 820 E. Park Avenue, representing the Tallahassee Area Chamber of Commerce (proponent - indicated his presence to answer questions)

**Item 26** - Held a public hearing on **Ordinance No. 99-O-0045AA**, establishing a right-of-way use policy for telecommunication facilities; **Resolution No. 99-R-0033**, setting the fee schedule for permit applications; **Resolution No. 99-R-0034**, establishing classes of violations; the recommendation to approve as policy the addition of telecommunication conduit as part of the typical roadway section with funding from Utility Business and Customer Services; and the recommendation to accept the draft of the **Uniform Standards and Procedures for the installation of Telecommunication Facilities within City Right-of-Way**, authorizing the City Manager to approve the final draft of the manual and any subsequent modifications – introduced on October 13, 1999, and continued from public hearings held

October 27 and November 23, 1999, and continued the public hearing to February 23, 2000 (as proposed by Public Works/Streets & Drainage and the City Attorney's Office)

#### **CITY COMMISSION SHARING OF IDEAS -**

Directed staff to perform a quick survey of sheet flow stormwater management plans and how they were working, and to consider the issue of city involvement in finding a solution to ensure properties were developed with proper contours so that the **stormwater runoff properly drained into the stormwater management facility as provided by the development plan** by potentially requiring engineering certification that the stormwater treatment was working as intended or if in certain circumstances, a bond could be requested for projects where there might be problems such as those flooding or standing water problems that had been reported by residents in the Maclay Hammocks townhomes subdivision

Requested a report from Legal staff relative to liability associated with the city's **issuance of development permits**

Requested a status report on plans for making the **regional stormwater management facility on Lake Bradford Road** into a recreational park

#### **UNAGENDAED -**

Briefly discussed the quality of the "Tallahassee Pattern" brickwork pattern along the sidewalk between City Hall and the County Courthouse

Ms. Sandra Collins, Founder, FAIR-SIRA, P.O. Box 5986 (32314), appeared before the Commission and discussed her proposal for Legislative funding of a Freedom Against Incarceration Rape (FAIR) organization on behalf of rape victims, which would serve as a sexual violence "ombudsman" that the inmates could reach through a toll-free number and would work to criminalize sexual misconduct by jail staff, provide emergency procedures for inmates, give rape victim advocates and counselors access to prisons and prisoners

Expressed regret at hearing of the death of Mr. Bill Mansfield, prominent editor with the *Tallahassee Democrat*.

**FEBRUARY 7, 2000**

**JOINT CITY/COUNTY COMMISSION BLUEPRINT 2000 WORKSHOP**

The City Commissioners met in special session with the Board of Leon County Commissioners (County Commission) and took the following action (Mayor Maddox and Mayor Pro Tem Billings arrived late):

Received a brief background history of the Blueprint 2000 Project, the Economic and Environmental Consensus Committee (EECC), and background information on existing sales tax and future sales tax projections, based on current dollars which should be expected to increase in general price levels in future years

Discussed the watershed and sector level planning process and recommended sector plans be prepared for identified lands within watersheds which had potential for new development and infill redevelopment and the adoption of a Joint Comprehensive Water Resources Plan

Discussed holistic infrastructure planning and the need for transportation and stormwater systems to include transit greenways, protecting floodplains by building wet detention facilities for retrofit, to create flowways, protecting and restoring lakes in the Bradford Jackson, Lafayette, Munson, and St. Marks Watersheds and, conducting an investigation of alternate transit success stories in similar communities to determine the feasibility of implementing a prototype project

Discussed corridor level implementation to improve transportation infrastructure by enhancing strategic portions of Orange Avenue, Crawfordville Highway, Springhill Road, South Adams Street, US 90 East, Tram Road and Capital Circle and to expand floodplain protection using innovative methods in addition to acquisition, such as conservation easements, management agreements, conservation zoning, land banking, and purchases from willing sellers, in addition to regulation

Discussed Southern Strategy program development to provide economic development incentives for the Southern Strategy Area, development and implementation of an incentive package for residential development and redevelopment and pursuing specific demonstration and grant funds for the Southern Strategy Area

Recommended that staff provide broader discussion to the respective City and County Commissions, to allow the Commissioners to address a November 2000 sales tax referendum, Blueprint 2000 projects, and other projects not in the Blueprint 2000 Plan

The City Commission voted 5-0 to approve **Option 1 to accept the EECC's report and to authorize staff to bring back a discussion of the following: a) Endorsement/support of the Blueprint 2000 concepts, programs and philosophies; b) Development of a plan that incorporates the concepts and processes into the overall planning strategies of the local government entity; c) Consideration and approval of a sales tax extension on the ballot in November 2000; d) Provide priority listing of overall governmental priorities for a sales tax extension to include Blueprint 2000; e) Development of a joint City/County plan for phased-in implementation of priority projects utilizing all potential sources of funding.** The County Commission voted 7-0 to accept Option 1 with the additional caveat to include a citizens group to study the joint stormwater process.

**FEBRUARY 9, 2000**

The City Commission met in regular session and took the following action:

**Item .1** - Presented a proclamation proclaiming February 9, 2000 as "Mayor Graydon Kent Day" in the City of Tallahassee

**Items 1, 3-4 and 7-8, Consent Agenda** - Voted 5-0 to approve the staff's recommendations presented in Consent Agenda Items 1, 3-4 and 7-8, taking action as follows:

Item 1 - Awarded contract for the replacement/upgrade of the wicker gate operators (water control gates to the electric power generating units) of the C. H. Corn Hydro Station to **PRO-CO INC.**, sole source bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$249,750, from Work Order 99168 (Hydro Turbine Governor Control Upgrade) (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric/Production*)

Item 3 - Awarded a three-year contract for the purchase of Gamber Johnson products for City vehicles to **Central Public Safety of Tampa, Florida**, sole bidder meeting specifications, at 47% off manufacturer's suggested retail price, in the total estimated annual expenditure amount of \$45,000 in the first year of the contract (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 4 - Awarded a three-year contract for the purchase of miscellaneous Whelen (vehicle lighting system) products for City vehicles to **Central Public Safety of Tampa, Florida**, low bidder meeting specifications, at 47% off manufacturer's suggested retail price, in the total estimated annual expenditure amount of \$130,000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 7 - Approved an agreed resolution to the **Brooks Brandewie** lawsuit against the City for the sum of \$85,000, to be funded from the City's self-insurance fund (Leon County Circuit Court Case No. 98-3466) (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney*)

Item 8 - Approved the **minutes** of the Regular City Commission Meetings of October 20 and 27, November 9 and 23, and December 8 and 15, 1999

**Item 2 (pulled from Consent)** - Voted 5-0 to award the purchase of 44 various light duty trucks to the following vendors in accordance with State of Florida Contract No. 070-001-99-1:

<b>Bell Chevrolet, Inc. of Plant City, Florida</b>	\$164,388
<b>Champion Chevrolet, Inc. of Tallahassee, Florida</b>	\$349,049
<b>Duval Motor Company of Jacksonville, Florida</b>	\$ 25,129
<b>Garber Chevrolet GEO Inc. of Green Cove Springs, Florida</b>	\$214,890
<b>Kaiser Pontiac-Buick-GMC, Inc. of Deland, Florida</b>	\$ 78,998
<b>Jack Caruso's Regency Dodge of Jacksonville, Florida</b>	\$ 19,772

**Items 5 and 6 (pulled from Consent)** - Voted 3-2 (Mayor Maddox and Commissioner Billings opposed) to award the construction contract for the renovation of the existing Barnett Bank drive-through facility located at 600 N. Monroe St. (purchased by the City as a suitable replacement for the City's Utility Payments Drive-Through facility located adjacent to the Civic Center) to **Bass Construction Co., Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$268,296 with funding from Work Order #99200 (CIF Loan) (*Item 5, Option 1*); and approve the award of a purchase contract for the drive-in bank equipment upgrade to **Mosler Inc.**, in the amount of \$80,000, with funding from Work Order #99013 (Records Retention/Emergency ISS Facility Renovation & Equipment) (*Item 6, Option 1*) (*proposed by the Treasurer-Clerk's Office*)

Discussed marketing the existing drive-through facility adjacent to the Civic Center at the City's sale price and proceeding with the renovations for the new drive-through facility at 600 N. Monroe St. for the convenience of the City's utility customers while also taking some internal action to expedite customer services at the existing drive-through and City Hall facilities

**Item 9** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 99-Z-0003**, which would rezone 7.38 acres fronting on the east side of Old Bainbridge Road, adjacent to Westbury Subdivision, owned by Carol and L. J. Raley, from Residential Preservation (RP) to RP-1 (RZ-232); set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 10** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-O-0004**, which would rezone 10.3 acres located at the southwest corner of Mahan Drive and Concord Road, owned by Immanuel Baptist Church, from RP-1 to Planned Unit Development (PUD); set the ordinance for public hearing on February 23, 2000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 11** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0007**, which would amend the Hillcrest PUD Concept Plan for seven (7) acres fronting on the north side of John Knox Road and lying east of Delta Way, adjacent to the northern and eastern perimeters of the Hillcrest PUD, owned by Cherokee Properties, Inc. (Jim Stiles and Gail Chittenden); set the ordinance for public hearing on February 23, 2000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 12** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinances Nos. 00-O-0012 and 00-O-0014**, which would authorize the Property Appraiser to assess historic properties solely on the basis of their character and current use for ad valorem tax purposes, and provide an exemption of 50% of the assessed value of a property meeting certain criteria; set the ordinances for public hearing on February 23, 2000 (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney*)

**Item 13** - Voted 3-2 (Mayor Maddox and Commissioner Bailey opposed) to reconfirm the City Commission's action of December 8, 1999 to approve the recommendation of the **Historic Property Grant and Loan** Finance Committee (HPGLFC), as amended by the Commission, to increase the maximum grant award from \$41,000 to the lesser of \$100,000 \$125,000 in the Downtown District or 50% of the projected appraised value when the projected basis of the property exceeds the projected appraised value of the property (*Option 1 as proposed by Economic Development*)

Requested that the staff provide a complete list of the existing historic preservation incentives which, with the addition of the ad valorem tax relief, completes the full complement of incentives the Commission had promised to the historic property owners

Mr. John Barley appeared before the Commission relative to this item.

**Item 14** - Voted 5-0 to approve the Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), in the amount of \$793,237, authorize execution of the JPA, and adopt authorizing **Resolution No. 00-R-0003**, providing a State grant allocation to support TalTran's annual operating budget for public transit services (*Option 1 as proposed by TalTran*)

**Item 15** - Voted 5-0 to authorize staff to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) seeking proposals from third party payment companies to provide an Interactive Voice Response (IVR) telephone payment option and also provide an Internet payment option (without the use of proprietary software) as **an added customer service in the processing of utility payments** (*Option 1 as proposed by the Treasurer-Clerk's Office/Revenue Division*)

**Item 16** - Voted 5-0 to accept the City Engineering Division's **revised Contractor Pre-Qualification process after reassessing the issue of not requiring a new application when changing the names of officers in a corporation** (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Engineering and amended by the Commission*)

**Item 17** - Voted 5-0 to accept the Wholesale Power Business Status Report and confirmed that the staff's actions were in compliance with directions provided by the City Commission on September 16, 1998 (*as proposed by Energy Services*); also discussed keeping the administration and Commission informed, and

**Item 18** - Voted 5-0 to approve the concept of utilizing **General Accounts for the Clean Air Act Sulfur Dioxide (S02) Allowance Program**, authorize the establishment of two initial accounts as outlined in the agenda item, authorize the City Manager to approve the establishment of other General Accounts as may be determined to be needed in the future, and authorize the revenues/expenses from the S02 allowance trading program to be recorded against the Electric Operations revenues/expenses budgets and applied to the Energy Cost Adjustment (ECA) (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric/Production*); also, discussed the desire for staff to bring back some environmentally friendly alternatives for revenue options

**Item 19** - Heard comments by Mr. Russ McGregor, 3102 Ortega Dr., relative to the Commission's small scale Comprehensive Plan Amendments without transmitting them for approval by the Florida Department of Community Affairs (FDCA)

Requested the staff to provide an analysis of amendments where the FDCA ruled differently than the City, including votes

**Item 20** - Heard comments by Mr. Robert Olmstead, President of the Myers Park Homeowners Assn., Dr. V. J. Conner and Mr. Albert Trull, relative to the City's permitting of RP-2 zoning in the Myers Park area, and how the construction of 15 four-bedroom dormitory homes for students would have a negative impact on the area

Directed staff to take immediate action to draft a letter informing the developer of the City government's displeasure and intent to proceed with an evaluation of the permit application and steps that could be taken to correct the situation

**Item 21** - Held a public hearing on the Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare (TMH) F.S. Chapter 163 Agreement; voted 5-0 to approve the Development Agreement subject to staff recommendations as discussed and outlined on page 2-4 of the agenda item

The following individuals appeared before the Commission relative to this item:

Ms. Nancy Linnan, 215 S. Monroe St., Suite 500, representing TMH and Southeast Community Health Services (proponent)

Mr. Frank Willis, 1550 Town Bridge Road, representing Willis Land Co. (proponent)

Mr. Charles Pattison, 2346 Armistead Road, representing the Betton Hills Neighborhood Assn. (proponent)

Mr. Dennis Howard, 903 Brookwood Dr., representing the Brookwood Drive Neighborhood Assn. (proponent with concerns)

Father Tom Crittenden, 1500 Miccosukee Road, representing Holy Comforter Church & School (proponent with concerns)

**Unagendaed:**

Mr. Bob Fulford (231 Westridge Dr.), Mr. Dan McDaniel (1907 Ivan Dr.), and Ms. Sandra Frazier (1230 Hemlock Dr., representing Verlon Johnson, and Woodrow and Sarah Kennington) appeared before the Commission and urged some action to correct the permitting of dormitory student homes in existing Residential Preservation neighborhoods. Ms. Frazier also suggested that the staff felt inhibited in bringing concerns to the management.

The Commission discussed the importance of encouraging staff to make recommendations concerning existing policy implementation.

The Commission also recognized the attendance of Boy Scout Troops 115 and 118, and the Commission recognized City Manager Favors' birthday.

FEBRUARY 16, 2000

TARGET ISSUES WORKSHOP HELD AT PURDOM PLANT

The City Commission met in regular session and took the following action (Mayor Maddox absent):

**Item 1** - Received a staff briefing on the **Five-Year Financial Plan Update** for the City government

Staff reviewed key changes using current assumptions:

an increase in the projected transfer from year end surplus, programmed at \$2.5 million in Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 from FY 1999 surpluses, representing 2.4% of budgeted general government expenditures in FY 2000 and 2.7% of General Fund expenditures adjusted for the fire services transfer;

a projected estimate of \$17.3 million in ad valorem tax receipts in FY 2001 and a projected electric transfer of an estimated \$16.1 million to the general government in FY 2001 (down from \$35.5 million in FY 1996, \$30 million in FY 1999 and \$17.05 million in FY 2000);

the addition of additional miscellaneous revenue, including a projected lease revenue of approximately \$600,000 annually from the General Dynamics Corporation for space at Innovation Park; and

a reduction in the transfer from current year revenues for general government capital projects from \$5 million to \$4 million in FY 2000, due in part to the restructuring of fire services as a separate fund, and maintained in FY 2001 as the planned ratio.

Staff also discussed unknown factors that would be addressed in the budget process, such as new debt service and increased fuel costs, indicated a Revenue Manual was available to demonstrate how the City's revenues were projected, and reviewed a proposed schedule for developing the FY 2001 Budget and Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan

The Commission accepted the report, providing some guidance as follows:

applauded the fact that in FY 2001 the electric transfer to the general government was anticipated to be reduced to \$16.1 million and for the first time the ad valorem tax revenue would exceed the electric transfer amount;

recognized that there would be no general government transfer to the golf courses;

discussed the Leon County government's move to potentially cease paying for fire services provided by the City; **requested that the staff provide a report on the potential impacts of such action on the community, and develop a strategy and some options for moving quickly to address this issue as well as other challenges from the County, i.e., franchise fees, taxing issues and county charter proposal;** briefly discussed the new Northeast area fire station which was currently under construction;

received a briefing from the City Attorney on the litigation filed by Leon County against Talquin Electric;

discussed issues to be addressed in the budget such as the extension of the Local Option One-Cent Sales Tax, Blueprint 2000 projects and stormwater management redevelopment responsibilities;

discussed the stormwater services fee and the fact that the stormwater utility was consistently underfunded and was not expected to be a revenue producer;

**requested a policy discussion of the funding level of the Deficiencies Fund (to be scheduled for a Commission discussion the first week in March 2000 along with consideration of a proposed electric rate reduction and levels of reserve funding);**

briefly discussed the employee health care rates and reserve fund;

discussed prior direction to the staff to prioritize the Blueprint 2000 projects and stormwater management retrofit facilities for a potential sales tax referendum and for consideration in the capital budget, and for a policy discussion of the transfer level to the capital budget;

**requested that the staff bring back some options for clarifying that when the Commission had passed the redevelopment amendments, the Commission's intent had not been to exempt roadway projects from treating their stormwater except for the net increase in impervious surface;** and

briefly discussed a suggestion to acquire swampland as stormwater facilities as opposed to buying properties for the construction of such facilities, and the need to avoid any identification of specific properties for future government projects, including Blueprint 2000 projects.

**Item 2** - Received a slide presentation and staff briefing on the status of the **Purdom Unit 8 Project** and a preview of activities leading to commercial operations by May 2000 -- Purdom Unit 8 being a key component of the City's electric and gas strategies for increased productivity and efficiency, consisting of a 250 MW combined-cycle electric power generating unit located in St. Marks, Florida (with Raytheon Engineers and Constructors serving as the City's Engineering, Procurement and Construction [EPC] contractor on this project, which was released for construction in June 1998)

The Commission applauded the fact that Purdom Unit 8 was on time and under budget, and took a tour of the facility.

**FEBRUARY 23, 2000**

The City Commission met in regular session and took the following action (Commissioner Lightsey being absent):

**Item 1** - Voted 4-0 (Commissioner Lightsey absent) to approve a request to co-sponsor with the Florida A & M University - Florida State University College of Engineering the **Challenger Learning Center "Project Lift Off"** ceremonies celebrating the commencement of the design phase of this project, scheduled for March 29, 2000, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the future site of the The Challenger Center on Kleman Plaza, behind City Hall, and provide some in-kind City services for this ceremonial ground breaking event *(as proposed by Economic Development)*

Requested that the Board of Regents review the construction manager's ability to do the job with the IMAX Theater added to The Challenger Center Project and that the City be included as a partner in the review process

Also, noted *for the record* that the City Hall Annex site, located directly behind City Hall, continued to provide greenspace on the Kleman Plaza

Mr. Rick Fisher, Challenger Center Program Director, appeared before the Commission and presented this request.

**Item 1.1** - Heard a presentation by Mr. Barry Hoffman, President of Springtime Tallahassee, relative to changes that had been made to encourage community participation in the upcoming Springtime Tallahassee 2000 "Millenium Magic" celebration, including changing the Bylaws of the organization so that Andrew Jackson had been removed as the ceremonial head of the grand parade and his name removed from the Breakfast in the Park, inviting minority groups to participate in the grand parade, bringing some less fortunate children to the jubilee through funding of the Springtime Tallahassee crews and the Tallahassee 25 organization, and having non-profit service organizations set up to gain public awareness of their organization and services. He presented the Mayor, Commissioners and appointed officials with guest tickets to the new Springtime Tallahassee Breakfast in the Park planned for the morning of March 8, 2000 on Kleman Plaza, and invited them to participate as guests in the "Millenium Magic" grand parade on April 1, 2000.

The Commission commended the Springtime Tallahassee organization for the changes that had been made and indicated anticipation of continuing efforts to make this a true community event.

**Item 2** - Convened as the **Sinking Fund Commission** (SFC), with SFC Members William O. Bell, III and William H. joining the City Commissioners (SFC Member Don W. Reinhard being absent); by consensus, authorized staff to revise the existing contract with J. P. Morgan Investment Management, Inc. to include REIT investment services for the City's Pension Fund *(Issue 1, Option 1)*, and affirm continuation of the contract with Prudential for provision of 401k and 457 plan services, and authorize execution of an addendum to the contract defining the revised fee structure *(Issue 2, Option 1)* *(as proposed by the Office of the City Treasurer-Clerk/Retirement Division)*. The Sinking Fund Commission also directed staff to advise the Commission when the demutualization of Prudential was complete and that consideration of bidding the services currently provided by Prudential should be considered sometime thereafter. The Mayor requested that the Domestic Emerging Markets Fund of the Chapman Financial Company be considered for inclusion in the investment choices available to employees and that was referred to the City Commission Advisory Committee for consideration.

Mr. Drew Carrington, the City's consultant with Arthur Anderson, appeared before the Commission and gave a presentation on the performance of the City's Defined Benefit Pension Plan.

**Items 3-11** - Voted 4-0 (Commissioner Lightsey absent) to approve the staff's recommendations as presented in the Consent Agenda, taking the action shown:

Item 3 - Approved the proposed Base Agreement for the purchase of fuel oil with **TexPar Energy, Inc. and Martin Gas Sales, Inc.**, and authorized the City Manager to execute similar agreements with other market participants after review of form and content by the City Attorney *(Option 1 as proposed by Energy Services)*

Item 4 - Approved proposed service agreements with **Tampa Electric Company** for market price based purchases of electric energy and/or capacity and authorized the City Manager to execute similar agreements with other utilities after approval of form and content by the City Attorney *(Option 1 as proposed by Energy Services)*

Item 5 - Approved a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$26,000 to the Equal Opportunity departmental budget, from collected corporate sponsorships and registration fees for the **Summit on Race Relations Conference** held January 19-20, 2000 at the Civic Center *(as proposed by the Equal Opportunity Office)*

Item 6 - Awarded bid for the mowing of vacant City property to **Hays Lawn Service**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of approximately \$46,600 per year (subject to annual appropriation), for an approximate total three-year contract cost of \$127,800 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Streets & Drainage*)

Item 7 - Approved a change order in the deduct amount of \$54,076.76 to close out year one Contract No. 562853 with **Post, Buckley, Schuh & Jernigan** for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer (MS4) permit activities, for a revised total contract amount of \$62,222.24 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Stormwater Management*)

Item 8 - Awarded contract for TalTran bus cleaning services (including cleaning, fueling, and revenue collection of buses) to **RESPECT of Florida** (Central Nonprofit Agency of the Commission for Purchase from the Blind or Other Severely Handicapped), and authorized the City Manager to finalize/execute the contract (to be assigned to **Goodwill Industries-Big Bend**), in the amount of \$174,652.97 per year – privatizing this service and reducing the operating budget expenses for current bus cleaning and fueling at an estimated \$161,248, leaving a net expenditure of approximately \$13,406 (*Option 1 as proposed by TalTran*)

Item 9 - Approved the ranking of the respondents to the meter reading system Request for Proposals (RFP), and authorized City staff to negotiate and enter into a contract with **Datamatic** to purchase the Datamatic Meter Reading System and associated equipment (replacing the City's electronic hand held meter reading system), for a negotiated price of less than \$75,000 including a two-year prepaid maintenance option (*Option 1 as proposed by Utility Business & Customer Services*)

Item 10 - Awarded a contract for the Alabama Street Water Main Replacement Project (increasing the diameter and extending the water line for better fire protection and water flow in the area) to **North Florida Construction**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$239,095, from Work Order #00317 (*Option 1 as proposed by Water Utilities/Operations*)

Item 11 - Approved the **minutes** of the City Commission meetings of November 17, 1999 (Regular Target Issues Workshop), November 22, 1999 (Special Joint 2000-1 Comp Plan Workshop), and January 19, 2000 (Regular Target Issues Workshop)

**Item 12** - Received an update from Commissioner Steve Meisburg on the **Neighborhood Partnership** initiative being on target with a kickoff date for the Apalachee Ridge Neighborhood set for March 18, 2000 at 10:00 a.m.

**Item 13** - By consensus, initiated the required activities for the proposed voluntary annexation of approximately 32 acres located within the Urban Services Area (USA), petitioned by Raymond C. Nichols, Elaine G. Nichols, and Mike Blankenship at Capital Circle Southwest and Shelfer Road; introduced **Ordinance No. 00-O-0002**, which would annex the property into the City of Tallahassee; and set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 (*Option 1 as proposed by the Department of Management & Administration [DMA]/Office of Budget & Policy*)

**Item 14** - Voted 4-0 (Commissioner Lightsey absent) to award a one-year legislative consultant contract to **Rutledge Ecenia Purnell & Hoffman Law Firm** (Charles Dudley, the City's primary State Legislative consultant), in the amount of \$40,000, and award a one-year legislative contract to **William J. Peebles** (Bill Peebles, the City's legislative consultant on specific issues focusing on telecommunications), in the amount of \$25,000 (*Option 1 as proposed by the Mayor's Office/Intergovernmental Relations*) with progress reports to be provided

**Item 14.1** - Voted 4-0 (Commissioner Lightsey absent) to approve a **supplemental budget transfer** in the amount of \$88,000 to retain the services of a Washington-based budget specialist to assist in obtaining federal monies and to fund increased legislative activity in FY99 and FY2000 requiring more travel to Washington, D.C. and other related venues by the Mayor and City representatives (*Option 1 as proposed by the Mayor's Office/Intergovernmental Relations*) with progress reports to be provided; also, indicated the **legislative consultants** should provide assistance on community-related issues

**Item 15** - Voted 4-0 (Commissioner Lightsey absent) to approve one (1) additional time-limited position for **Cross-Connection Control retrofitting** until all retrofits are completed and a supplemental appropriation over a 2.5 year period in the amount of \$119,000, from the Water Operating Budget Reserve Transfer Account (*Option 1 as proposed by Water Utilities/Administration*)

**Item 16** - Voted 4-0 (Commissioner Lightsey absent) to accept the City of Tallahassee's "**Comprehensive Annual Financial Report**" (CAFR) and the "**Financial and Compliance Audit of Federally Assisted Programs**" for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1999, for retention as a public record (selected information from the 1999 CAFR to be made available on the City's web site at [www.ci.tallahassee.fl.us](http://www.ci.tallahassee.fl.us)) (*as presented by Accounting Services*)

**Item 17** - Voted 4-0 (Commissioner Lightsey absent) to authorize a partnership program with the **American Red Cross** which would include leasing the **Fire Safety** Trailer to provide safety presentations in all Leon County elementary schools, for a savings of approximately \$8,000 annually in City operating expenditures (*Option 1 as proposed by the Fire Department*); clarified this action would eliminate the Safety Town which was currently located at the Airport

**Item 18** - Heard comments by Ms. Debbie Manning, representing Gum Road residents and property owners, objecting to the proposed location of the County **solid waste transfer station at the Gum Road site** (in lieu of the scheduled address by Senator Mallory Horne, which he had deferred pending a legal opinion on a potential conflict of interest)

The Commission acknowledged the importance of having equitable options for the collection and disposal of garbage for the City's residents (scheduled for City Commission discussion on March 8, 2000).

**Item 18.1** - Heard comments by Mr. Robert Olmstead, President of the Myers Park Neighborhood Association, and also from Mr. Brinnen Carter, Mr. Byron Stevenson and Ms. Sandy Frazier, residents of the Myers Park neighborhood, regarding planned **dormitory style housing construction in the Myers Park residential area**, and requesting a two-week moratorium on permits and variances for construction in Residential Preservation 1 (RP-1) and RP-2 zoning districts; Mr. Jeffrey S. Howell, representative of The Phipps Law Firm, Attorney for the Myers Park Neighborhood Assn., and himself a resident of the neighborhood, also appeared before the Commission in support of the request for a delay of two weeks for the purpose of allowing time for him to attempt to negotiate a compromise with the owner/developer of the planned construction.

The Commission voted 3-0 (Commissioners Lightsey and Bailey absent) to approve the request for a two-week delay in the site plan review (for the issuance of a permit for the planned construction in Myers Park) for the purpose of reaching some compromise between the neighborhood residents and the owner/buildier.

**Item 19** - Held a public hearing and voted 3-0 (Commissioners Lightsey and Bailey absent) to adopt **Ordinance No. 99-O-0045AA**, establishing a right-of-way use policy for telecommunication facilities; **Resolution No. 99-R-0033**, setting the fee schedule for permit applications; **Resolution No. 99-R-0034**, establishing classes of violations; the recommendation to approve as policy the addition of telecommunication conduit as part of the typical roadway section with funding from Utility Business and Customer Services; and the recommendation to accept the draft of the **Uniform Standards and Procedures for the installation of Telecommunication Facilities within City Right-of-Way**, authorizing the City Manager to approve the final draft of the manual and any subsequent modifications – introduced on October 13, 1999, and continued from public hearings held October 27 and November 23, 1999, and January 26, 2000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Streets & Drainage, and the City Attorney*)

**Item 20** - Held a public hearing and voted 3-0 (Commissioners Lightsey and Bailey absent) to adopt **Resolution No. 00-R-0007**, setting final assessments for the paving of the Jackson Bluff Road extension to Hamilton Park Drive, and directing staff to file the lien and amount of the final assessment with the Leon County Tax Collector, allowing the owners (Hamilton Partnership) ten (10) years to pay the total assessment of \$100,519.88 (*as proposed by Public Works*)

**Item 21** - Held a public hearing and voted 3-0 (Commissioners Lightsey and Bailey absent) to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0004**, introduced on February 9, 2000, rezoning 10.3 acres located at the southwest corner of Mahan Drive and Concord Road from Residential Preservation 1 to Planned Unit Development, owned by Immanuel Baptist Church, subject to the Planning Commission's recommended conditions (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 22** - Held a public hearing and voted 3-0 (Commissioners Lightsey and Bailey absent) to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0007**, introduced on February 9, 2000, amending the existing Hillcrest PUD Concept Plan subject to the Planning Commission's recommended conditions, for seven (7) acres fronting on the north side of John Knox Road and lying east of Delta Way, adjacent to the northern and eastern perimeters of the Hillcrest PUD, owned by Cherokee Properties, Inc. (Jim Stiles and Gail Chittenden) (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

Mr. Barry Poole, 2145 Delta Blvd., representing Cherokee Properties/Poole Engineering Co., indicated his presence to answer questions (proponent).

**Item 23** - Held a public hearing and voted 3-0 (Commissioners Lightsey and Bailey absent) to determine that the **Notification of Proposed Change (NOPC) to the Tennessee-Capital Development of Regional Impact (DRI)**, was not a "substantial deviation" and approve the Amended Development Order subject to the following condition: "Planning staff and the applicant shall develop mutually-agreed upon design standards for the parcels of land fronting on West Tennessee Street (U.S. 90) that will address items such as street orientation of buildings, parking lot design, building exterior, building materials, use of canopied arcades, relief along large expanses of building facades, use of lighter colors, landscaping between the buildings and vehicular use areas, roof designs, reduction of the visual impacts related to large scale buildings, lighting standards and internal mobility." (*Option 1 as proposed by Growth Management*)

**Item 23.1** - Held a public hearing and voted 3-0 (Commissioners Lightsey and Bailey absent) to adopt **Ordinances Nos. 00-O-0012 and 00-O-0014**, introduced on February 9, 2000, authorizing the Property Appraiser to assess historic properties solely on the basis of their character and current use for ad valorem tax purposes, and providing an exemption of 50% of the assessed value of a property meeting certain criteria (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney*)

The following persons appeared before the Commission in support of this item:

Mr. Stan Chapman, 1484 Mitchell Ave., President of the Florida Heritage Foundation and Director of the Tallahassee Trust for Historic Preservation, Inc.

Ms. Ann Chittenden, 323 E. Park Ave., historic property owner

Ms. Beth LaCivita, 1484 Mitchell Ave., Executive Director of the Tallahassee Trust for Historic Preservation, Inc.

**Unagendaed -**

Discussed investigating the potential of establishing a **fueling station** to allow the use of natural gas by the City's fleet of vehicles

By consensus, adopted **Resolution No. 00-R-0010**, authorizing a request for the temporary closure of certain state roads necessary for The March, a protest march against the "One Florida Plan" (ban of affirmative action in college admissions and State contracts) which was scheduled to be held on Apalachee Parkway to The Capitol on March 7, 2000; and discussed the need for some State and local leadership in moving forward with some dialogue to address this issue in full.

**MARCH 8, 2000**

The City Commission met in regular session and took the following action:

**Item 1** - Welcomed visiting exchange students from various countries and their host families

Mayor Maddox received a letter from the Honorable Valeriy A. Samoilenko, Mayor of Krasnodor, Russia.

**Item 2** - Heard a presentation by Junior Girl Scout Troop #61 and presented a proclamation in recognition of **Girl Scout Week**

Girl Scouts Executive Director Merline Harbin, Ms. Rachel Smith and Junior Troop #61 were present to receive this proclamation.

**Item 3** - Heard comments made by Ms. Kim Stanton, representative of the Humane Society of the United States, regarding recommendations for addressing **wildlife management at the Tallahassee Regional Airport**

**Consent Items 4-13 and 15-16** - Voted 5-0 to approve the staff's recommendations, taking action as follows:

Item 4 - Approved the appointment of Kimberly Grippa to the **Environmental Code Enforcement Board**, replacing William Leffler, for a term expiring November 2002 (*as proposed by the Mayor's Office*)

Item 5 - Authorized staff to extend the scope of work being performed by **Reynolds, Smith and Hills** to continue investigation of the Airport sinkhole, in the amount of \$23,300, bringing the total project investigation and assessment cost to-date to \$58,400 (*Option 1 as proposed by Aviation/Facilities*)

Item 6 - Awarded a three-year continuing price agreement for the reconditioning of power plant circuit breakers to **Power Distribution Services of Lakeland, Florida**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the projected amount of not-to-exceed \$50,000 per year for each of the three electric power generating plants (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric/Production*)

Item 7 - Authorized staff to submit a Home Ownership Construction Loan Application through the HOME Program administered by the **Florida Housing Finance Corporation** for a \$450,000 loan to assist with the development of 25 low-income affordable housing units in the Medical Commons Subdivision, located at the northwest corner of Holton Street and Orange Avenue (*Option 1 as proposed by Neighborhood and Community Services [NCSD]/Housing*)

Item 8 - Approved the amended **Bylaws of the Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Commission** as submitted (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

Item 9 - Approved Change Order No. 1 to the contract with **Reynolds, Smith and Hills, Inc. (RS&H)**, for additional land survey, design and geotechnical services for the Tallahassee Regional Airport Runway 36 - Safety Area Improvements Project, in the amount of \$49,100, for a total contract amount of \$92,200 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Engineering*)

Item 10 - Approved Change Order No. 1 to the contract with **Grinnell Fire Protection Systems Company** for the installation of an Inergen Clean Gas Fire Suppression System in the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Telephone Rooms as part of the Police Department Headquarters West Wing Renovation Fire Sprinkler System Project, in the amount of \$46,560, for a revised total contract amount of \$170,160 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Engineering*)

Item 11 - Awarded bid for the purchase of three (3) digger derrick units from **Tallahassee Mack Sales, Inc. of Tallahassee, Florida**, in the amount of \$191,816, and from **Telelect East of Glen Allen, Virginia**, in the amount of \$205,316, low bidders meeting specifications, replacing Electric Operations Vehicle #6585, and refurbishing Electric

Operations Vehicles #6578 and #6579 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 12 - Approved the **plat for the Oakmont Subdivision**, consisting of 0.52 of an acre, located at the southeast corner of oak Street and Hays Street, subdivided into four (4) lots with development planned as single family detached residential, being developed by Naumann Investments, Inc. (*as proposed by Public Works/Engineering*)

Item 13 - Authorized staff to submit an application through the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), administered by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), for a grant in the amount of \$100,000, for the development of a **bicycle and pedestrian path planned to create and enhance a linear park in McCord Park, and connect to and encircle Harriman Circle Pond Park** (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Streets & Drainage*)

Item 15 - Adopted **Special Events Road Closures Resolution No. 00-R-0011**, authorizing staff to apply to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for appropriate permits to close State highways (particularly Monroe Street) for the following special events in the year 2000:

Springtime Tallahassee Parade April 1, 2000

Law Enforcement Memorial March May 2000

Celebrate America July 4, 2000

FAMU Homecoming Parade October 2000

Veteran's Day Parade November 11, 2000

Celebration of Lights December 2, 2000

Item 16 - Approved the **minutes** of the Regular City Commission Meetings of January 12 and 26, 2000

**Item 14** - Ascertained that **natural gas utilization** would not be feasible for the current bus purchases for TalTran and requested that cost information be provided when staff brought the issue back in an agenda item scheduled for Commission consideration in August 2000; requested that the report also include an investigation of federal, foundation or industry grant funding to help offset cost of any kind of clean burning fuel

Voted 5-0 to approve the purchase of nine (9) replacement buses and related equipment from the **Gillig Corporation**, under the terms and conditions of the Florida Transit Association Pooled Bus Procurement process; upon grant award, authorized the City Manager to finalize and award the contract, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$2,500,000, to the Gillig Corporation, and authorize payment of a transaction fee to the Florida Transit Association Financial Corporation (*Option 1 as proposed by TalTran/Administration*)

**Item 16.1** - Voted 5-0 to approve funding in the amount of \$500 to assist Tallahassee's Ambassador **Patrick Stanley** in his travel as a Florida delegate to Sydney, Australia for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual World Downes Syndrome Conference being held March 23-26, 2000; also, presented Patrick with a City of Tallahassee bag of departmental mementos to share as a delegate of the City of Tallahassee

Commended the Governor for increasing the State's proposed budget for the handicapped population by 50%

Expressed concern that the State's funding for the Juvenile Assessment and Receiving Center (JARC) could be in jeopardy and requested that the City's Legislative Lobbyist investigate the status of that issue

**Item 17** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-O-0005**, which would abandon two Pecan Endowment Subdivision roadways located south of Northwest Passage and west of Capital Circle Northwest, as requested by the applicant, Colin English, Jr., represented by Mr. Everitt Drew, agent for the applicant; set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 18** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-O-0006**, which would abandon the right-of-way for Escambia Drive east of Valencia Drive, as requested by the applicants Valencia Square General Partnership and James Tomberlin, represented by Mr. Rich Buss, agent for the applicants; set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 19** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0008**, which would rezone 0.85 of an acre (RZ-217) fronting on the north side of Chinook Street west of Mission Road, from Residence 3 (R-3) to Open Space (OS), implementing Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment 99-1-M-009 and placing this City-owned Alberto Recovery property located in the 100-year flood plain in the appropriate land use category; set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 20** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0009**, which would rezone 45.62 acres (RZ-219) in the Mission Road Estates and Rexwood Subdivisions area and some surrounding properties (including properties fronting on Rexwood Drive, Regent Drive, Oakwood Drive, Peachtree Drive, Appleyard Drive, Burns Drive, Trimble Road and Vega Drive), from R-3, R-5 and Manufactured Home Park (MH) to Open Space (OS), implementing Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment 99-1-M-009 and placing this City-owned Alberto Recovery property located in the 100-year flood plain in the appropriate land use category; set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 21** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0010**, which would rezone 2.94 acres (RZ-218) in the Valley Green Subdivision (fronting on Vega Drive, Beechnut Lane and Deer Haven Lane), from R-3 and R-5 to Open Space (OS), implementing Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment 99-1-M-009 and placing this City-owned Alberto Recovery property located in the 100-year flood plain in the appropriate land use category; set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 22** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0011**, which would rezone approximately 496 acres known as Bull Run, located on the west side of Thomasville Road across from Kerry Forest Parkway and Lenox Mill Road, from Target Planning Area (TPA) to Planned Unit Development (PUD), application filed by Block Land and Finance Company; set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 23** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0015**, which would rezone 1.53 acres (RZ-229), located at the northeast intersection of Magnolia Drive and Park Avenue, from Office Residential 3 (OR-3) to Neighborhood Commercial 2 (C-2), application filed by Bert Boldt, II; set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 24** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0016**, which would rezone 0.94 of an acre (RZ-234), located at the northeast intersection of Capital Circle Northeast and Care Drive, from Medical Arts (CM) to C-2, application filed by The Bradfordville Exchange Company; set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 24.1** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-O-0019**, which would amend the City Code pertaining to the Stormwater Utility fee system, defining the equivalent residential billing unit (ERU) and its method of computation, and clarifying the party responsible for payment of the stormwater fee; set the ordinance for public hearing on March 22, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney's Office*)

**Item 25** - Received a staff briefing on the **electric rate reduction strategy** and the objective of a reduction in base rates effective October 1, 2000

Requested that the staff provide information on how the City's Electric Utility would compare to projections available on the Internet for other utilities in 2005 and 2020

Requested information on the status of the rising cost of fuel and how that might impact on the City's Electric Utility in terms of potentially driving up energy costs

Discussed the use of rate consultants as opposed to in-house staff so as to ensure credibility of rate consulting knowledge of the municipal electric utility rate design when requesting Public Service Commission (PSC) support for rate changes

Reminded staff of the need to utilize the City's competitive selection process more often as this rate consultant contract had been extended since August 1993

Voted 5-0 to approve the engagement of the City's Rate Consultant, **R. W. Beck**, to assist in conducting a Year 2001 Electric Rate Study (estimated at \$150,000) and 10-Year Projection of Electric Operations financial results (estimated at

\$60,000), for a total not-to-exceed cost of \$210,000, funded from the Electric Utility Operating Budget (*Option 1 as proposed by Utility Business & Customer Services*)

**Item 26** - Received a presentation on the results of the **City of Tallahassee FY2000 Resident Opinion Survey**, conducted by Kerr & Downs Research

Dr. Phil Downs, Director of Kerr & Downs Research, and Florida State University Professor of Marketing, appeared before the Commission and gave this presentation.

**Item 27** - Voted 5-0 to authorize Information Systems Services (ISS) staff to purchase from **Cabletron Systems, Inc.** the hardware and software on State contract (#250-040-99-1), in the amount of \$1,243,327, for computer network equipment to upgrade and enhance network system capacity and approve a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$695,093 (from Capital Project #95-013) (*Option 1 as proposed by Department of Management & Administration [DMA]/ISS*)

**Item 28** - Received a staff briefing and discussed the issue of **controlling wildlife hazards on Airport property**, and halting activities that attract animals and birds to the Airport property

Voted 3-2 (Mayor Maddox and Commissioner Meisburg opposed) to discontinue the practice of using snares and find a humane alternative to preventing wildlife hazards at the Airport that was non-injurious to animals

Concurred in directing staff to bring information to the Commission in two weeks on alternative options for preventing wildlife hazards at the Airport and for proceeding with a training program

Voted 4-1 (Commissioner Bailey opposed) to conduct a **Wildlife Hazard Assessment** to cover both birds and mammals, and to evaluate the problem holistically and comprehensively, to include the effects of dumping sludge and waste from the construction of the regional stormwater facility on the former Elberta Crate property, located off Lake Bradford Road

**Item 29** - Mr. Carlos McDonald and Ms. Sarah Cawthon, representatives of the **Meadowbrook Neighborhood Assn.**, appeared before the Commission as scheduled and discussed the neighborhood's objection to a multi-family, three-story apartment complex of more than 400 apartment units (known as the Evergreens at Mahan) being planned for development on 24 acres at the entrance to the Meadowbrook Neighborhood, located on the east and west sides of Riggins Road south of Mahan Drive, contending that the Vested Rights Review Ordinance had been misapplied to this property and suggesting that the property should be rezoned to be compatible with the neighborhood; they also presented the Commission with a **petition** containing 211 signatures of residents of Meadowbrook expressing concern with this type of proposed development in their neighborhood

The Commission discussed the site plan development review process for this property and concurred in directing the City Manager to investigate the issue further. The Commission further requested that the City Manager's report also include information on some method for the constituents to seek redress of prior governmental actions.

**Item 30** - Mr. Michael Duckett waived his scheduled appearance relative to the Meadowbrook area multifamily development project.

**Item 31** - Held a public hearing and voted 4-0 (Mayor Maddox absent) to adopt **Police Pension Ordinances No. 99-O-0066AA** and **Fire Pension Ordinance No. 99-O-0067AA**, introduced on December 15, 1999, re-establishing supplemental pension plans for police officers and firefighters, authorizing amendments to current police and fire collective bargaining agreements to incorporate proposals a-h as outlined in the agenda, upon union ratification, contingent upon approval by the State of Florida of the re-established supplemental plans and receipt of the Chapter 175/185 funds (*Option A as proposed by the City Manager/the City Treasurer-Clerk*)

Ms. Joani Scandoni and Mr. Reggie Brown, representing the Police and Fire Unions, appeared before the Commission in support of this item.

**Item 32** - Held a public hearing on the adoption of **Resolutions No. 00-R-0004 and No. 00-R-0006**, designating the Cascade Park Coal Gasification Plant/Cascade Landfill Site and the Gaines Street Corridor as **Brownfield** areas, contiguous contaminated areas that would be eligible for State funding assistance for the cleaning and redevelopment of such areas (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney*)

#### **Unagendaed:**

Received a briefing from Commissioner Billings on the "**Florida One Plan**" **Protest March** held the previous day and commended the marchers, citizens and the staff for the way the march was handled

Commended Commissioner Billings for heading the **Hosting Large Events Committee**

Commended the progress being made by the **Springtime Tallahassee** organization, noting a the Springtime Tallahassee Breakfast had been held that morning

**City Commission Information/Sharing of Ideas:**

Received a briefing from Commissioner Lightsey on deceptive tactics utilized in clear-cutting a 10-acre site and efforts to gain support for the commercial development of that Residential property, located near the southeast intersection of **Interstate 10 and Thomasville Road**; requested a report from the City Manager on what was being done to recognize and stop permit applications which fit into a devious mode such as this

Discussed what was being done with regard to addressing concerns with the construction of dormitory-style houses in the **Myers Park Neighborhood** residential area; suggested that the staff bring back a report within a time period of three to four weeks with recommended options.

**March 15, 2000**

The City Commission met in regular target issues workshop session and took the following action (Commissioner Meisburg absent):

**Item 1** - Received a staff update on Water Utilities Efficiency Improvements implemented by Water Utilities over the past three years, disclosing that the City had improved its position by nearly a cumulative \$10 million due to operating changes and had held water and sewer rates constant for a sixth consecutive year

**Items 2 and 3** - Received a staff update providing an overview of the Electric System and update on the Purdom Unit 8 Project, and discussed power resource supply planning and strategic alliances

**Unagendaed** - Reminded everyone of the kick-off for the Apalachee Ridge Neighborhood Revitalization Project, beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 18, 2000, at Wesson School

**MARCH 22, 2000**

The City Commission met in regular session and took the following action:

**Item 1 - Accepted complimentary copies of the book entitled Black America Series Tallahassee Florida**

Ms. Althamese Barnes and Ms. Ann Roberts, the authors of Black America Series Tallahassee Florida, appeared before the Commission and presented the books.

**Item 2 - Presented a proclamation proclaiming April 2-8, 2000 as "International Building Safety Week 2000" in the City of Tallahassee**

Mr. Ronnie Spooner, Growth Management Building & Zoning Official, and special guests representing local architectural, building and licensing industries, electrical, building and mechanical contractors and subcontractors, and representatives of the City's Fire Department and Growth Management/Building Inspection Division, appeared before the Commission relative to this item.

**Item 2.1 - Accepted a memento from **Lloyd's Barron's Fine Jewelry** in commemoration of Florida State University as National Football Champions**

Mr. Usman Ali, representative of Lloyd's Barron's Fine Jewelry, appeared before the Commission and presented the memento to the Mayor and each City Commissioner.

**Consent Items 4-18 - Voted 5-0 to approve the staff's recommendations, taking action as follows:**

Item 4 - Awarded bid for a three-year continuing price agreement (RFP #0149-0-KR-BC) to **BetzDearborn**, the highest ranked bidder by the selection committee, for the purchase of cooling tower chemical treatment products and services for use in the **Electric Generating Power Plants' Cooling Towers Chemical Treatment Program**, for an anticipated not-to-exceed price of \$130,000 per year, with funding from approved O & M accounts as needs are identified and with authorization for the purchases to be obtained at the time of purchase (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Production*)

Item 5 - Awarded bid No. 0102-00-KR-BC for the **replacement of the Hopkins Electric Generating Power Plant's (Hopkins) Gas Turbine (GT) #2 air heat exchanger to Watkins Engineers and Constructors**, sole bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$92,593 (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Production*)

Item 6 - Awarded Bid No. 0103-00-KR-BC for the **replacement of Hopkins #1 GT exhaust stack and #2 GT inlet stack to Central Metal Fabricators, Inc.**, sole bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$299,530 (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Production*)

Item 7 - Approved revisions to the **Concurrency Management System Policy & Procedures Manual (CMS)**, amending Section 1.4.16(b) and Section 3.1.0 of the CMS -- deleting Planned Unit Development (PUD) Concept Plan approval (now considered rezonings) and adding Development of Regional Impact (DRI) approval to the definition of Final Development Order so as to require an infrastructure analysis on proposed projects, and allowing rezonings to go forward without capacity reservation when the applicant has no firm development plan (*Option 1 as proposed by Growth Management*)

Item 8 - Approved the **Oracle Database Software License Upgrade**, authorizing Information Systems Services (ISS) staff to purchase from **Oracle Corporation** 214 more concurrent use licenses on State Contract No. 252-002-97-1 in the amount of \$304,592 (*Option 1 as proposed by ISS/Chief Information Systems Officer [CISO]*)

Item 9 - Approved and ratified the purchase of **General Electric switchboard meters** for use by the Electric Transmission & Distribution Meter Shop from **GE Supply Corp.**, sole source supplier, in the amount of \$86,505.70 (*Option 1 as proposed by Procurement Services*)

Item 10 - Approved the purchase of seven (7) **tractor-backhoe-loaders** from **New Holland Construction of Carol Stream, Illinois**, under State contract No. 760-001-99-1, in the amount of

\$274,652 , including six (6) replacement vehicles and one (1) additional vehicle for use by the Water Utilities Transmission & Distribution) (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 11 - Approved the submittal of a **Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Application**, authorizing staff to make application to the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Program through the Florida Department of Community Affairs (FDCA) for 75% funding for the City's acquisition of two (2) properties to be selected from FEMA's list of "**Repetitive Loss Properties**" in the City of Tallahassee -- requiring approximately \$75,000 in matching funds from the City which would be brought back to the Commission for approval of the funding appropriation upon approval of the grant award (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Stormwater Management*)

Item 12 - Approved the award of a three-year continuing price agreement for the purchase of **traffic loop sealant** from **Traffic Parts, Inc., Spring, Texas**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the estimated three-year usage amount of \$58,500, and pre-approved purchases to be made on an as-needed basis (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Traffic Engineering*)

Item 13 - Approved the award of a two-year price agreement for the purchase of assorted field equipment needed for the **Tallahassee Advanced Transportation Management System (TATMS)** from the following low bidders meeting specifications (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Traffic Engineering*):

**Control Technologies of Central Florida, Inc. Sanford, Florida** (Groups 1, 2 and 5) \$262,459

**Diamond Electronics, Inc., Carroll, Ohio** (Group 4)  
\$69,754

Item 14 - Approved the purchase of one (1) wide track dozer from **Ring Power Corporation of Tallahassee, Florida**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$78,778 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 15 - Approved the award of a three-year price agreement for the purchase of polymer used to dewater biosolids at the T. P. Smith Wastewater Plant to **Polydyne, Inc. of Toledo, Ohio**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the estimated amount of \$67,100 per year (*Option 1 as proposed by Water Utilities/Wastewater Operations*)

Item 16 - Approved a transfer of funds in the amount of \$115,000 from the Highway 90 East Water Main Project Work Order No. 99074 (Leon County Master Water Plan Project #13) to fund a **Lake Ridge Road area water main extension** along Lake Ridge Road and Cherry Bluff lane in the Lake Jackson area located outside the City limits, requested by a number of homeowners in the area due to problems with their private wells (*Option 1 as proposed by Water Utilities*)

Item 17 - Authorized staff to finalize and execute an agreement (consistent with the proposed agreement outlined in the agenda material) with **The Community Builders, Inc. ("TCB") of Boston, Massachusetts**, a not-for-profit corporation that is financing the purchase of three apartment units in Tallahassee (Augustine Club, Woodlake at Killlearn, and Plantations at Killlearn) from bond proceeds issued by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, subject to certain affordable housing restrictions including setting aside a portion of the units and dedicating them to the provision of **low income and affordable housing** (TCB had offered to make a contribution to the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund [HTF] equal to half of the taxes that would be paid if the units were unrestricted in use, less any property taxes actually paid, thereby potentially entitling TCB to certain exemptions from ad valorem property taxes – payment to the HTF would be contingent upon actions and determinations made by TCB and the Leon County Property Appraiser) (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Treasurer-Clerk*)

Item 18 - Approved the **minutes** of the February 9 and 16, 2000 Regular City Commission Meetings as distributed (*as presented by the City Treasurer-Clerk/Records Management*)

**Item 3 (pulled from Consent)** - Discussed the reason for utilizing consultant engineering services for the proposed **Ivan Monroe Terminal Building Assessment Project** and other projects at the Tallahassee Municipal Regional Airport, determining that Airport projects were considered to be a high priority and this assessment would help in the evaluation, development and prioritization of needed repair and rehabilitation projects to ensure the continued use and extended life of the Airport terminal facility; and voted 4-1 (Commissioner Billings opposed) to authorize staff to enter into an agreement with **Reynolds, Smith and Hills**, the Airport's Consulting Engineer, to perform an assessment of the actual requirements

and develop specific projects and priorities at a cost of \$102,300, funded from Project #00026 (Airport RR&I Funding with a matching grant from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) (*Option 1 as proposed by Aviation/Facilities*))

**Item 19** - Deleted from the agenda the proposed introduction of **Ordinance No. 00-Z-21**, which would rezone the remainder of the **Smoky Hollow Subdivision (Myers Park Lane area)** (*presented by Planning*)

**Item 20** - By consensus, introduced **Ordinance No. 00-O-20**, which would adopt the **Cycle 2000-1 Comprehensive Plan Amendments**, and set the ordinance for a joint City-county Commission public hearing on April 11, 2000, at 6:00 p.m., in the County Commission Chamber, Leon County Courthouse (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney's Office*)

**Item 21** - Discussed and voted 5-0 to approve execution of the Community Revitalization Grant Agreement, designating the City of Tallahassee as the "**fiscal agent**" for the "**Front Porch Florida Greater Frenchtown Governor's Revitalization Council**", and approved the execution of subsequent agreements which will designate the City as the permanent fiscal agent for that Council (*Option 1 as proposed by Neighborhood & Community Services*)

**Item 22** - Discussed and voted 5-0 to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Joint Project Agreement (JPA) with Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), whereby FDOT will pay the City \$75,000 as its share of the cost for the **replacement of the Monroe Street brick crosswalk with imprinted asphalt**, approve the allocation of \$75,000, from the PR 00011 Downtown Sidewalk Maintenance (GG/CIF) Project and a supplemental appropriation of \$32,000 from GG/CIF Undesignated Balance, as the City's share of the project costs, and direct staff to move forward with making these repairs (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works*)

**Item 23** - Voted 5-0 to authorize the City Manager to execute agreements with **PeopleSoft, SPL and Group1** for purchase and installation of a **Customer Information System (CIS)** and associated software, and authorize work to proceed on the project effective March 23, 2000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Chief Information System Officer/Utility Business & Customer Services*)

Commended the staff for moving as fast as possible with this effort in a responsible manner

**Item 24** - Discussed and addressed the concern with finding alternatives to the use of animal snares on Airport property by voting 5-0 to approve the City Manager's recommendation to move forward a 2002 capital project to **replace/upgrade existing Airport fencing** and upgrade that project, a project that would be eligible for a 90% funding match from the Federal Aviation Association (FAA) (*presented by Aviation*)

**Item 25** - Discussed and voted 5-0 to authorize the Tallahassee Police Department (TPD) to apply for, accept and expend funding awarded by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to support the **Specialized Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP)** with funding for four (4) additional police officer positions, this one-year **FDOT grant** -- in the amount of \$401,340 for the first year of the grant to include 100% funding to pay for salary and benefits, vehicles and related equipment including mobile data computers, uniforms and personal issued equipment (weapons excluded) -- would be renewable for two additional years with year one requiring no City funding match, year two requiring a 25% City match, and year three requiring a 50% City match

Requested a report on the annual monetary value of traffic citations brought in by these four traffic enforcement positions which could be taken into consideration when considering the future funding of those positions.

Also, discussed enforcement of the Nuisance Abatement Ordinance, and requested some special enforcement in the Apalachee Ridge Neighborhood area to address speeding and excessive noise issuing from vehicles with "boom boxes" and other loud vehicular noises

**Item 25.1** - Discussed citizen complaints relating to **vehicle towing** and requested that the staff track those complaints, and voted 5-0 to award a five-year, fixed-price term contract for towing services, to tow City vehicles and police impoundments, to **Sheffield's Paint & Body**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the estimated amount of \$175,000 for the five-year period (*Option 1 as proposed by Procurement Services*)

**Item 25.2** - Discussed concerns with a proposal by **Image Marketing** to place advertising on TalTran buses with a percentage of the revenue allocated to social service agencies, and voted 5-0 to direct staff to bring back a more comprehensive discussion within 30 days that would include policy and other issues relating to the potential issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) that would allow **commercial advertising on the City's TalTran buses** (*Option 3 as proposed by TalTran*)

**Item 25.3** - Discussed vesting issues relating to an undeveloped tract of land on Riggins Road adjacent to the **Meadowbrook Neighborhood**, and concurred in requesting that the City Attorney report back to the Commissioners individually on the status of pending discussions between the developer and neighborhood representatives

**Item 26** - Mr. Carlos McDonald and Ms. Sarah Cawthon, representing the Meadowbrook Neighborhood Assn., appeared before the Commission and discussed the neighborhood's opposition to the proposed three-story apartment complex planned at the entrance to the **Meadowbrook Neighborhood** (distributed a petition with an additional 100 signatures from residents of the neighborhood expressing their concern)

The Commission discussed the vesting process and voted 5-0 to delay the site plan application review for two weeks to allow staff an opportunity to create a timeline, get the file, get questions answered, set up an informal process with the neighborhood representatives and the developer to facilitate some resolution of their concerns prior to reviewing any site plan application on this property.

**Item 27** - Held a public hearing and voted 5-0 to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-O-0002**, introduced on February 23, 2000, concluding the voluntary annexation process for incorporating approximately 32 acres located within the Urban Services Area (USA), at Capital Circle / Shelfer Road West, into the City of Tallahassee, as petitioned by Raymond C. Nichols, Elaine G. Nichols, and Mike Blankenship (*Option 1 as proposed by the Department of Management & Administration [DMA]/Office of Budget & Policy*)

**Item 28** - Held a public hearing on **Ordinance No. 00-O-0005**, introduced on March 8, 2000, which would abandon two Pecan Endowment Subdivision roadways located south of Northwest Passage and west of Capital Circle Northwest, as requested by the applicant, Colin English, Jr., represented by Mr. Everitt Drew, agent for the applicant; continued the public hearing on the ordinance to May 24, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Chamber (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 29** - Held a public hearing and voted 5-0 to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-O-0006AA**, introduced March 8, 2000, abandoning the right-of-way for Escambia Drive east of Valencia Drive subject to utility and pedestrian easement, requested by the applicants Valencia Square General Partnership and James Tomberlin, represented by Mr. Rich Buss, agent for the applicants (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 30** - Held a public hearing and, after brief discussion, voted 4-0 (Commissioner Bailey absent) to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-O-19AA**, introduced on March 8, 2000, amending the City Code pertaining to the Stormwater Utility fee system, defining the equivalent residential billing unit (ERU) and its method of computation, and clarifying the party responsible for payment of the stormwater fee (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney's Office*)

Acknowledged the work of Commissioner Lightsey and Mr. John Buss, Director of Stormwater Management, in moving this issue forward.

**Item 31** - Held a public hearing and voted 4-0 (Commissioner Bailey absent) to adopt **Resolutions No. 00-R-0004 and No. 00-R-0006**, continued from March 8, 2000, designating the Cascade Park Coal Gasification Plant/Cascade Landfill Site and the Gaines Street Corridor as **Brownfield** areas, contiguous contaminated areas that would be eligible for State funding assistance for the cleaning and redevelopment of such areas (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney*)

**Item 32** - Held a public hearing and voted 4-0 (Commissioner Bailey absent) to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0003**, introduced on February 9, 2000, rezoning 7.38 acres fronting on the east side of Old Bainbridge Road, adjacent to Westbury Subdivision, owned by Carol and L. J. Raley, from Residential Preservation (RP) to RP-1 (RZ-232) (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 33** - Held a public hearing and voted 4-0 (Commissioner Bailey absent) to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0008**, introduced on March 8, 2000, rezoning 0.85 of an acre (RZ-217) fronting on the north side of Chinook Street west of Mission Road, in the Western View Subdivision, from Residence 3 (R-3) to Open Space (OS), implementing Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment 99-1-M-009 and placing this City-owned Alberto Recovery property located in the 100-year flood plain in the appropriate land use category (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 34** - Held a public hearing and voted 5-0 to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0009**, introduced on March 8, 2000, rezoning 45.62 acres (RZ-219) in Mission Road Estates, Rexwood Subdivision and Countryside Village Mobile Home Park, and some surrounding properties (including properties fronting on Rexwood Drive, Regent Drive, Oakwood Drive, Peachtree Drive, Appleyard Drive, Burns Drive, Trimble Road and Vega Drive), from R-3, R-5 and Manufactured Home Park (MH) to Open Space (OS), implementing Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment 99-1-M-009 and placing this City-owned Alberto Recovery property located in the 100-year flood plain in the appropriate land use category (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 35** - Held a public hearing and voted 5-0 to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0010AA**, introduced on March 8, 2000, rezoning 2.94 acres (RZ-218) in the Valley Green Subdivision (fronting on Vega Drive, Beechnut Lane and Deer Haven Lane), from R-3 and R-5 to Open Space (OS), implementing Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment 99-1-M-009 and placing this City-owned Alberto Recovery property located in the 100-year flood plain in the appropriate land use category (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 36** - Held a public hearing on **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0011**, introduced on March 8, 2000, which would rezone approximately 496 acres known as **Bull Run**, located on the west side of Thomasville Road across from Kerry Forest Parkway and Lenox Mill Road (RZ-270), from Target Planning Area (TPA) to Planned Unit Development (PUD), application filed by Block Land and Finance Company; continued the public hearing on the ordinance to April 12, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Chamber (Option 1 as proposed by Planning)

The following persons appeared before the Commission relative to this item:

Mr. Dave Bachman, 2114 Ox Bottom Rd. (opponent)

Ms. Candy Barrios, 2485 Ox Bottom Rd., representative of the Ox Bottom Road Area Neighborhood Assn. (opponent)

Ms. Marty Larson, 1830 Chimney Swift Hollow, representing the Ox Bottom Road Area Neighborhood Assn. and the Chimney Swift Hollow Neighborhood Assn. (opponent)

Mr. Marshall Cassedy, Jr., 7098 Chimney Swift, President of the Ox Bottom Homeowners Assn. (opponent)

**Item 37** - Held a public hearing on **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0015**, introduced on March 8, 2000, which would rezone 1.53 acres (RZ-229), located at the northeast intersection of Magnolia Drive and Park Avenue, from Office Residential 3 (OR-3) to Neighborhood Commercial 2 (C-2), application filed by Bert Boldt, II; continued the public hearing on this ordinance to April 26, 2000 as requested by the applicant (presented by Planning)

**Item 38** - Held a public hearing and voted 5-0 to adopt **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0016**, introduced on March 8, 2000, rezoning 0.94 of an acre (RZ-234), located at the northeast intersection of Capital Circle Northeast and Care Drive, from Medical Arts (CM) to C-2, application filed by The Bradfordville Exchange Company (agent, Barry Poole)(*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

#### **Unagendaed -**

Recognized and welcomed the attendance of Boy Scout Troop 44 and Scout Master Perry Odom

Mayor Maddox also recognized his "student shadow for the day", Mr. McKay Jimison

#### **City Commissioner Sharing of Ideas -**

Briefly discussed the relationship of the Bull Run Development and the Bradfordville Study Area on the Official Land Use Map

Concurred in commending Police Chief McNeill and his department for moving forward on some delicate issues, keeping the best interests of the citizens in mind and attempting to uphold the highest standards in police conduct.

**MARCH 29, 2000**

The City Commission met in special workshop session for its annual retreat on March 29, 2000, in the Ed Ball Room of the Wakulla Springs Lodge, and took the following action (moderated by Dr. Larry Gross, Consultant):

Discussed the prior year's City of Tallahassee target issues and the recently-released citizen survey report on City of Tallahassee services

Received status reports from the Lead Commissioners and staff on the 1999-2000 Target Issues

Determined that Telecommunications Strategy should remain a target issue --

discussed taking the leadership in strategic telecommunications planning to bring the highest levels of communications services to the residents of this community

Indicated the City's Five-Year Financial Plan should be retained as a target issue —

discussed concerns with the levels of reserve funding held by the County government and the need for identifying some strategy for addressing the potential future lack of funding from the County government for services that had historically been provided on a contractual basis by the City government for the residents of the unincorporated area of Leon County, such as parks and recreation, and fire services;

expressed interest in the County's financing policies/guidelines and financial position, i.e., rating agency criteria and audit report on financial condition;

discussed concerns with the County government's proposed county charter and the City government's role in informing the voters of the negative aspects of such proposal, and suggested that the Mayor relate the City Commission's factually-based concerns with the county charter proposal at the next Mayor-Chair Meeting;

Concurred to keep Economic / Downtown Development Plan as a target issue -

discussed the community's interest in downtown greenspace for special events, noting that the space directly behind City Hall on Kleman Plaza (Tallahassee Center/Mixed-Use Project) was designated for that purpose, and there were plans for the Cascades Park area to eventually be used for that purpose, and a large greenspace was also being planned by Florida State University in the Campbell Stadium area;

discussed encouraging the use of the amphitheater/band shelter on Kleman Plaza

discussed encouraging the use of Kleman Plaza for smaller activities/events that were not labor intensive and would not require City assistance so that people would be attracted to the area on a routine daily basis; concurred in directing staff to bring back a report on the impacts of encouraging these small events in terms of income, staffing, etc.; suggested that other groups such as the Cultural Resources Commission (CRC) be asked to evaluate this proposal to provide their encouragement and support

discussed the status of the remaining sites available for marketing on Kleman Plaza;

discussed the status of a pending land agreement with the Florida Board of Regents for locating The Challenger Center on the Kleman Plaza northeast corner site, and a status report on negotiations to acquire a large screen format theater business (IMAX Theater) as part of the Center;

discussed the need for additional parking in the downtown area to help the Downtown Improvement Authority (DIA) efforts to revitalize the downtown and keep businesses/offices from relocating from the downtown, and suggestions for approaching the Governor to consider some State funding assistance for a downtown parking garage as an issue of Statewide interest in improving the State's Capital City;

discussed interest in an upscale commercial park to help attract businesses to the City, and the associated problem of planning transportation from the south side of the City to Interstate 10;

Confirmed the Community Planning target issue --

discussed implementation of the Blueprint 2000 projects as part of the City's budget process and developing priorities for funding from Local Option Gas Sales Tax revenues;

expressed interest in how the proposed extension of the One-Cent Sales Tax would support the County's capital budget; and determined that the City's list of prioritized projects, much of which would be centered on State road improvements, would be brought to the Commission for consideration in April 2000;

discussed the "southern strategy", which the staff would report on to the Commission in May or June 2000, with numerous factors that would need to be addressed as part of the "southern strategy", including downtown parking, relocation of the homeless shelter so that it would not hinder the revitalization of Frenchtown, relocation of the Greyhound bus station away from the downtown, the need for a parking deck at the corner of Monroe and Tennessee Street on the Floridian property, potentially swapping outlying land for the development of the existing 55-acre fairground as an industrial park, improved downtown parking, improving transportation by increasing the cap on loans for State road improvement projects or by a long-term solution of getting State government to fund these local State road projects in a timely fashion, and possibly creating some Statewide interest in funding a State road improvements package for the State's Capital City;

discussed the workload of the staff of the Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Department being spread equitably on City and County issues as jointly prioritized by the City and County Commissions, and suggested that this be an issue for discussion at a Mayor-Chair Meeting;

confirmed a Commissioner request for Neighborhood and Community Services and/or Planning staff to pull together a list of neighborhood "quality of life" and "livability" projects, to consider creating some balance in the location of future projects of that nature, i.e., sidewalks built, landscaping added, neighborhood park improvements, traffic calming efforts, and also to be able to demonstrate to the community the City's progress in providing these improvements, breaking them down to sections of the City;

discussed the increasing tendency of members of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to monopolize the MPO meetings with staff time spent bringing them up-to-date and on discussions of City projects and City policy issues that were unrelated to the MPO agenda and were not funded by the MPO;

suggested that a letter be drafted and sent to the MPO members reminding them that they should be staffed on the MPO agenda items prior to the MPO meetings and also reminding them of the Statutory scope of the MPO jurisdiction on issues;

Voted 5-0 to confirm "Neighborhood Revitalization" as a target issue

Received a progress report on the Neighborhood Partnership's Apalachee Ridge Neighborhood Improvement Initiative and the collaborative-holistic approach that was being taken with the

involvement of all stakeholders, and the concern with the approach being taken by Frontporch Florida, which appeared to involve 3-4 neighborhoods and did not include all of the neighborhood stakeholders and have the involvement of institutional staff from start to finish; stressed the importance of finding a way of involving all of the stakeholders/institutions in the Frontporch Florida initiative as well as plans being made by Florida State University for the development of its surrounding areas, including West Tennessee Street;

Requested a staff report on the following specific neighborhood livability issues:

how the City was being proactive in ensuring there was a timely collection of trash/abandoned debris in the neighborhoods,

what progress was being made in having departmental staff look for and report Code violations,

what was being done to prevent illegal businesses from operating within neighborhoods, such as truck repairs, excessive vehicular traffic, etc.

improvements to street signs and prevention of speeding, and

improvements to street lighting.

Voted 4-0 (Commissioner Lightsey absent) to approve the City's sponsorship of the Boys Choir by providing some administrative support and postage to mail Boys Choir compact disks that were sold to raise funds for their trip to Europe

Concurred that a special meeting would be called to continue with the unfinished business on the agenda for this Commission Retreat

APRIL 11, 2000

JOINT CITY-COUNTY COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

ON PROPOSED CYCLE 2000-1 AMENDMENTS

TO THE TALLAHASSEE-LEON COUNTY 2010 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The City Commission met in special session with the Board of Leon County Commissioners (County Commission) and took the following action:

Held a joint public hearing, with no speakers, on Proposed Cycle 2000-1 Amendments to the Tallahassee-Leon County 2010 Comprehensive Plan (Comp Plan), on which both the City and County Commission were in agreement and the Florida Department of Community Affairs (FDCA) had indicated no objections

The County Commission voted 6-0 to adopt the approved Cycle 2000-1 Amendments as part of the Comp Plan; also, with regard to Amendment 00-1-M-001, confirmed with staff that the City's Community Services Division was evaluating whether some assistance could be provided to the citizens being displaced from their homes on the subject property

The City Commission voted 5-0 to adopt Ordinance No. 00-O-20, adopting the approved Cycle 2000-1 Amendments as part of the Comp Plan (summarized below)

SUMMARY CHART OF CYCLE 2000-1 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS				
<i>Item #</i>	<i>Amendment To:</i>	<i>Nature of Proposed Amendment</i>	<i>City Commission Action</i>	<i>County Commission Action</i>
<b>2000-1-M-001</b>  (R. E. Meadows application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (East side of Old Bainbridge Road, approximately 750 feet South of West Tharpe Street)	From: Residential Preservation  To: Mixed Use A  1.94 Ac.	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>
2000-1-M-002  (Dean Minardi application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (East side of North Gadsden Street, between Williams Street & Johnston Street)	From: Residential Preservation  To: Mixed Use A  0.34 Ac.	Deny	Deny
<b>2000-1-M-003</b>  (Estate of Henry Herring application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (Northwest corner of Oakland Avenue & South Gadsden Street)	From: Residential Preservation	Deny	Deny

		Urban  2.45 Ac.		
2000-1-M-004  (Colin English Jr. Trustee/  Everitt Drew application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (Southwest corner of Northwest Passage & Capital Circle Northwest)	From: Heavy Industrial  To: Mixed Use B  13.20 Ac.	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>
<b>2000-1-M-005</b>  (Sikes Industries application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (Northwest corner of Woodville Highway & Capital Circle Southeast)	From: Heavy Industrial  To: Mixed Use B  2.10 Ac.	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>
2000-1-M-006	<i>Withdrawn</i>			
<b>2000-1-M-007</b>  (Leon County School Board, & R. A. Kovach application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (4,700 feet fronting on the East side of Centerville Road, South of Roberts Road)  (School "J")	From: Urban Fringe, Urban Fringe w/Residential Preservation (RP) Overlay, & Rural  To: Educational Facilities & Rural w RP Overlay; also, Urban Services Area (USA) line swap  129.96 Ac.	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>
2000-1-M-008  (Rudolph Eummer application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (Northwest corner of Oak Ridge Road & Colbert Road)	From: Urban Fringe w/Residential Preservation (RP) Overlay  To: Urban Fringe (remove RP Overlay)  5.01 Ac.	Deny	Deny
<b>2000-1-M-009</b>  (Judy Locke application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (North side of Talpeco)	From: Residential Preservation	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>

	West of North Monroe Street.)	To: Mixed Use A  0.93 Ac.		
2000-1-M-010  (Mary Ann Twyford application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (West side of Thomasville Road, 270 feet South of Cercy Trace & 1,400 feet North of Lake Hall Road)  (Thomasville Road - Montessori Institute)	From: Residential Preservation  To: Mixed Use A  1.47 Ac.	Deny	Deny
2000-1-M-011  (Planning Department application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (North side of Fuller Road between Livingston and Big Lake Roads and West of Meginnis Arm)  (Okeheepkee Basin)	From: Lake Protection  To: Recreation/Open Space  26.0 Ac.	Approve	Approve
2000-1-M-012  (Planning Department application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (West side of Crawfordville Road and North side of LaFrance Road.)  (Munson Preserve)	From: Residential Preservation & Mixed Use A  To: Recreation/Open Space  61.80 Ac.	Approve	Approve
2000-1-M-013  (Planning Department application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (Property lying between Capital Circle Southwest and Longleaf Road)  (Golden Aster)	From: Mixed Use A  To: Recreation/Open Space  30.0 Ac.	Approve	Approve
2000-1-M-014  (Planning Department application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (Property North to Olivia Drive & South of East Park	From: Mixed Use C  To:	Approve	Approve

	Ferndale Drive & Victory Garden Drive)  (Governor's Park)	Space  195.0 Ac.		
<b>2000-1-M-015</b>  (Planning Department application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (West side of Blair Stone Road, opposite Willow Bend Way)  (Blair Stone Forest)	From: Mixed Use A  To: Recreation/Open Space  4.0 Ac.	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>
<b>2000-1-M-016</b>  (Planning Department application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP (Miccosukee Canopy Greenway - between Fleischman & Crump Roads)	From: Mixed Use B  To: Recreation/Open Space  502.0 Ac.	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>
2000-1-M-017	<i>Withdrawn</i>			
2000-1-M-018  (County Commissioner Host application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP  Meridian & Thomasville Roads South of Interstate 10  LAND USE ELEMENT  New Objective & Policies	Text changes specific to the Residential Preservation (RP) properties fronting on Meridian & Thomasville Roads South of I-10	Deny  Directed staff to move forward with recommended process to address non-residential land uses in RP in this area, including requiring a minimum site size for conversion of a residential structure	Denied  Directed staff to move forward with recommended process to address non-residential land uses in RP in this area
2000-1-019  (Meg W. Bates application)	LAND USE ELEMENT  Narrative  Land Use Development Matrix  Policy 2.1.1	Text changes to Residential Preservation (RP) narrative to limit uses to residential up to 6 duos, light infrastructure, & passive recreation only	Deny	Deny
2000-1-020	LAND USE ELEMENT	Text changes to	Deny	Deny

(Sandi L. Hall - Hall's Family Day Care application)	Narrative  (RP definition and intent)	Preservation (RP) narrative which expands allowed uses to include day care under certain conditions		
2000-1-021  (Centerville Rural Community Assn. [CeRCA] application)	LAND USE ELEMENT  Narrative  (Urban Fringe)	Text changes to Urban Fringe narrative which delete Residential Cluster and limit amount of non-residential uses	Deny  Address during Cycle 2000-2 as part of timing of infrastructure	Deny
<b>2000-1-022</b>  (City Commission application)	HOUSING ELEMENT  New Policy 1.2.6 (City)  New Policy 1.3.8 (County)	Adds language to ensure new major developments (TPAs, CPAs and DRIs) address affordable housing needs	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>
2000-1-023  (County Public Works application)	CONSERVATION ELEMENT  Policy 2.2.12  (Lake Protection Zones)	Adds flexibility for Special Development Zones (SDZs) around Lake Jackson, Lake Iamonia, Fred George Basin & Lake Bradford Chain	<b>Deny</b>	<b>Deny</b>
<b>2000-1-024</b>  (County Public Works application)	CONSERVATION ELEMENT  New Policy 2.1.9  Policy 2.2.12 (Stormwater in Floodplains)	Allows for government stormwater facilities for retrofit in 100-year floodplains & Special Development Zones	<b>Approve as Amended</b>  <b>Approval of recommendations of the Water Resources Committee, limiting the applicability to Lake Jackson and requiring adoption of a retrofit plan for Lake Jackson prior to implementation</b>	<b>Approve as Amended</b>  <b>Approval of recommendations of the Water Resources Committee, limiting the applicability to Lake Jackson and requiring adoption of a retrofit plan for Lake Jackson prior to implementation</b>
<b>2000-1-025</b>  (Planning Department application)	CONSERVATION ELEMENT  New Policy 1.2.3	Promotes land management practices to enhance fire prevention, wildlife habitat. &	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>

	(Prescribed Fire/ Invasive Exotic plants)	development		
2000-1-026	<i>Withdrawn</i>			
<b>2000-1-027</b>  (Planning Department application)	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT	Annual update of the 5-Year Schedule of Capital Improvements	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>
<b>2000-1-M-028</b>  (Killearn Homeowners Association application)	FUTURE LAND USE MAP  (South side of Killarney Way, between Foley Drive and Shamrock West)	From: Residential Preservation  To: Mixed Use A  0.97 Ac.	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Approve</b>

**APRIL 12, 2000**

The City Commission met in regular session and took the following action:

**Item .01** - Accepted a framed certificate to each City Commissioner and the Mayor from the Tallahassee Post Office in appreciation of Tallahassee's landscape architecture in the City of Tallahassee's public park system, along with a sheet of U. S. Postal Service landscape architect stamps; also, accepted for permanent placement in the downtown Ponce DeLeon Park, an "ASLA Centennial Medallion from the American Society of Landscape Architects 1800-1999", **recognizing the Park Avenue Chain of Parks site as a "National Landmark for Outstanding Landscape Architecture"**

The following persons appeared before the Commission relative to this item:

Mr. Jeff Caster, Section Chair, of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), Florida Chapter Executive Committee, Tallahassee Section

Ms. Debbie Powell Smith, Customer Relations, U. S. Postal Services

Mr. Patrick Hodges, Landscape Architect Consultant for the Park Avenue Chain of Parks design

**Item .02** - Presented a proclamation proclaiming the week of April 9-15, 2000 to be **Telecommunications Week** in the City of Tallahassee

The following representatives of Public Safety Communications appeared before the Commission relative to this item:

Capt. Garry Lassiter, Technical Services Commander

Ms. Jeanine Donaldson, Communications Section Supervisor

Ms. Jill Allison, Public Safety Communications Shift Supervisor

Ms. Sandy Daniels, Public Safety Communications Shift Supervisor

Ms. Samantha Johnson-Person, Public Safety Communications Shift Supervisor

Mr. Jeff Mazerac, Public Safety Communications Operator

Ms. Kaiea Rohlehr, Public Safety Communications Operator

**Consent** Items 1-3 and 5-21 - Voted 5-0 to approve the staff's recommendations as presented in the Consent Agenda, taking action as follows:

Item 1 - Approved the appointment of **Ms. Sabrina La'Kaya Cox** (replacing Tommy R. Stigar) and the re-appointment of **Mr. James Dilworth** to the **Tallahassee Housing Authority** for terms expiring April 2002 and April 2004, respectively (*as proposed by the Mayor's Office*):

Item 2 - Approved the appointment of **Mr. Roger White** to the **Construction Industry Review Board** for a term expiring September 2001 (*as proposed by the Mayor's Office*)

Item 3 - Authorized staff to award the construction contract for the **Airport Administrative Offices** portion of the Terminal Building Rehabilitation Project to **Bass Construction, Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$158,088 (*Option 1 as proposed by Aviation/Airport Facilities Manager*)

**Item 4 - Deleted from the agenda** a staff recommendation for approval of the recommendation of the **Historic Property Grant and Loan Finance Committee (HPGLFC)** relative to a grant/loan for the **Cotton House Project** (applicant Mr. John Barley) (*proposed by Economic Development/HPGLFC*)

Item 5 - Approved the award of contract for the **Unit 7 Mezzanine Area Asbestos Abatement Project** at the Purdom Electric Generating Station to **Lang Engineering**, under the City's existing long-term contract for asbestos removal, in the amount of \$72,1877 (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Production*)

Item 6 - Approved Contract Amendment #3, in the amount of \$75,250, to the contract with **Ironwood Construction**, for the removal and replacement of the transite siding (containing asbestos materials) on the **internal walls of the Purdom Unit 7 Turbine Building elevator shaft**, for a revised total contract amount of \$599,985 (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Production*)

Item 7 - Authorized the City Manager to execute the one-year renewal options in the contracts with each of the following **electric planning technical services consultant firms** for the provision of electric power supply, reliability and transmission planning services (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/System Reliability & Transmission Services*):

**R. W. Beck, Inc.**

**Stone & Webster Management  
Consultants, Inc.**

**Black and Veatch, LLP**

Item 8 - Approved the award of bid for the purchase of **aluminum cable** from **Hughes Supply, Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications with quickest delivery, in the amount of \$74,236.50, for use by the Electric Department for the Southwood Development Project (*Option 1 as proposed by Procurement Services*)

Item 9 - Approved the award of bid for the purchase of **two (2) Class 8 roll-off refuse trucks** from **Tallahassee Mack Sales, Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$194,118 (\$97,059 each) (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 10 - Approved the award of bid for the purchase of **three (3) medium duty crew cab trucks with service bodies** from **Tallahassee Mack Sales, Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$170,082 (\$56,694 each) (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 11 - Approved the award of bid for the purchase of **one (1) medium duty refueler truck** from **Tallahassee Mack Sales, Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$81,775 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 12 - Approved the award of bid for the purchase of **one (1) Class 8 truck with trash body** from **Tallahassee Mack Sales, Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$65,486 (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 13 - Approved the award of bid for the purchase of **five (5) Class 8 twelve-yard dump trucks** from **Tallahassee Mack Sales, Inc.**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$420,235 (\$84,047 each) -- including two (2) replacement vehicles for Public Works Drainage Maintenance, two [2] additional vehicles for the implementation of the Mosquito Ditch Control Program, and one [1] additional vehicle for the Water Utilities Department) (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 14 - Approved the award of bid for the purchase of **four (4) brush chippers** from **Vermeer Southeast Sales & Service, of Jacksonville, Florida**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$91,820 (\$22,955 each) -- including three replacement vehicles for Landscape & Tree Maintenance/Drainage Maintenance, and one (1) additional vehicle for implementation of the Mosquito Ditch Control Program inside the City limits (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management*)

Item 15 - Approved a supplemental appropriation, in the amount of \$20,000, and **Change Order No. 4**, in the amount of \$14,580,40, to the contract with **Peavy & Son Construction Company, Inc.**, for additional work necessary to properly complete the **Bradford Road/Meridian Road Intersection Improvement Project**, for a revised total contract amount of \$549,495.39 -- including Salmon Drive/Old Bainbridge Road/Stone Road and Bradford/Thomasville Intersection Improvements)

Item 16 - Approved a design contract for the **Boone Boulevard Stormwater Management Facility with Singhofen & Associates, Inc.**, one of the City's five continuing stormwater engineering services consultants, in the amount of \$241,916.40 – for implementation of the first phase of the Park Terrace, Parkside and Terrence Heights Stormwater Improvements Project (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Stormwater Management*)

Item 17 - Approved the **purchase of a 5.0+/- acre parcel of land from Mr. Woodrow Whetstone, Jr.**, located on the south side of Glenda Drive at Lipona Road, at a negotiated cost of \$185,000, necessary for the **Lipona Road PASS Project Stormwater Management Facility** (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Real Estate*)

Item 18 - Approved a professional consulting services contract for **Cable Television Franchise Renewal Services** with Comcast (now AOL/Time Warner) with **Rice, Williams Associates**, in the amount of \$67,790 (*Option 1 as proposed by Utility Business & Customer Services/Cable Regulations*)

Item 19 - Awarded bid for a contract to replace approximately 830 old galvanized and plastic water services prior to road repaving to **Solomon Construction Co. of Quincy, Florida**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$498,700 (*Option 1 as proposed by Water Utilities*)

Item 20 - Approved the sole source purchase of Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) System Upgrade equipment from **Bristol Babcock, Inc.**, in the amount of \$266,000, and the reallocation of \$84,423 from Work Order #00071 (Water Well Rehab) to supplement Work Order #96074 (**Water SCADA Upgrade**) (*Option 1 as proposed by Water Utilities/Water Quality*)

Item 21 - Approved an emergency Purchase Order #602422 issued to **Rowe Well Drilling** for critical repairs to Water Well #13, in the amount of \$54,178 (*Option 1 as proposed by Water Utilities*)

**Item 22 (pulled from Consent for discussion)** - Voted 5-0 to approve a supplemental appropriation, in the amount of \$113,333, to be transferred into Project #90017 from the Sales Tax Fund to support the final payment to the **Ausley and McMullen Law Firm** for services rendered in the **Mitchell Brothers, Inc. v. City of Tallahassee** (Leon County Case #97-2400) litigation settlement agreement reached in regard to the Blair Stone Road Southern Extension Project (aka Phase I Orange Avenue Extension) (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney*)

**Item 23** - Voted 5-0 to establish the reported median from the City Commissioners' proposed salary increase for each of the five **appointed officials** as that official's **annual merit increase** effective September 24, 1999 (*as proposed by Human Resources*)

**Item 24** - By consensus, introduced **Tuning Point & Gene Wilcox Abandonment Ordinance No. 00-O-0017**, which would abandon a Pecan Endowment Subdivision road right-of-way, located south of Fred George Road and west of North Monroe Street; set for public hearing on April 26, 2000, in the City Hall Commission Chamber, at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 25** - By consensus, introduced **Trinity Catholic Rezoning Ordinance No. 00-Z-0018**, which would rezone approximately 7.7 acres located at the intersection of Brevard Street and Miccosukee Road, from Residential Preservation 2 (RP-2) to Planned Unit Development (PUD) (RZ-235, application filed by the Bishop of the Diocese of Pensacola and Tallahassee). [The Development Review Committee (DRC) recommended the application for approval with conditions.] The ordinance was set for public hearing on April 26, 2000, in the City Hall Commission Chamber, at 6:00 p.m. (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 26** - By consensus, introduced **Mahan/Buck Lake Road II Voluntary Annexation Ordinance No. 00-O-22**, which would annex a .486 acre parcel located on the north side of Mahan Drive (US 90) near Buck Lake Road to the City of Tallahassee; set for public hearing on April 26, 2000, in the City Hall Commission chamber, at 6:00 p.m.

**Item 27** - Voted 5-0 to approve the ranking of respondents to the **Utility Marketing Request for Proposals (RFP) for long-term consultant services** of a full service marketing firm as recommended by the Selection Review Committee, and authorized negotiation with the top-ranked firm, **The Zimmerman Agency**, to provide market research, market/strategic planning and creative imaging of the City Utilities (*Option 1 as proposed by Utility Business & Customer Service*)

**Item 28** - Voted 5-0 to authorize Planning Department staff to initiate a text amendment in Amendments Cycle 2000-2 clarifying that Comprehensive Plan Land Use Goal 8 objectives and policies were not intended to apply to property within the City limits on December 23, 1996, the effective date of Goal 8, thereby clarifying previous action of the City and County Commissions that the **Bradfordville Study Area requirements were never intended to apply to properties in the City** (*Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney*)

[Staff announced there would be three public hearings and three workshops on the Cycle 2000-2 Amendments, including Joint City-County Commission public hearings scheduled for April 20 and May 24, 2000; a Local Planning Agency (LPA) public hearing set for May 1, 2000; a City Commission Workshop on May 3, 2000; a County Commission Workshop on May 9, 2000; and a Joint City-County Commission Workshop on May 15, 2000.]

**Item 29** - Voted 5-0 to authorize up to an additional \$100,000 in **sales tax reimbursement expenditure authority for the Purdom Unit 8 Project**, for the pass-through cost of sales taxes actually incurred by Raytheon Engineers and Constructors on the Unit 8 addition to the City's Purdom Generating Station – to be funded from the Purdom Unit 8 Project contingency account and resulting in no increase to the project cost above the current budgeted amount (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Production*)

**Item 30 - Deleted from the agenda a staff report on the 10kW Solar Energy Demonstration Project (by Utility Business & Customer Service)**

**Item 31** - Heard scheduled comments by **Mr. John P. Kelly**, President of the Tallahassee Independent Drivers Assn., 1525 Blountstown St., who presented a petition signed by taxi drivers representing all of the **cab companies** of Tallahassee, requesting a temporary .75-cent surcharge to be in effect for the next 90 days or until the price of gas returns to an acceptable level and seeking to explore a reasonable rate hike to meet the cost of living of the cab drivers and their families (*A copy of the petition has been placed on file in the Office of the City Treasurer-Clerk.*)

By consensus, the Commission directed staff to bring this issue back with some recommended options, addressing the temporary and long-term situation.

**Item 32** - Heard scheduled comments by **Mr. Dan McDaniel**, 1907 Ivan Drive (tel. 386-5945); Ms. Suzanne Hennessy, 2110 Alton Rd.; Prof. David Gruender, 2403 Miranda Avenue; Mr. John Conboy, 1308 Parga Dr.; and Ms. Kaye Harris, 2004 Alton Rd., representatives of the Northwest Tallahassee Neighborhoods Assn., who requested that the Commission take some action to help protect their residential preservation neighborhoods from the impacts of **student housing and problems such as excessive traffic and parking needs and litter, adjacent high-density developments, and the lack of sidewalks on residential streets**

A large segment of the audience stood in support of the concerns expressed by these speakers.

The Commissioners discussed finding ways of addressing this problem to include new and existing houses used for dormitory-style student housing, and enlisting the assistance of the universities and community college administration in terms of trying to provide appropriate housing as well as help govern students' behavior. The Commission also requested the support of the community in this endeavor.

**Item 33** - Heard scheduled comments by **Ms. Sarah Cawthon**, 778 Lupine Lane, **President** of the Meadowbrook Neighborhood Assn., providing an update and opposing the proposed development of a three-story apartment complex, Evergreens at Mahan, at the entrance to the Meadowbrook Neighborhood at Riggins Road and Mahan Drive

**Item 34** - Heard scheduled comments by **Ms. Candy Barrios** asking the Commission to delay the initiation of an amendment in the Cycle 2000-2 Comprehensive Plan Amendments which would **remove properties in the City from the Bradfordville Study Area**

Mayor Maddox reiterated the dates of scheduled meetings/public hearings on the Cycle 2000-2 Amendments as announced by the staff earlier in relation to Item 28.

**Item 35** - Held a public hearing and voted 5-0 to adopt **Bull Run Rezoning Ordinance No. 00-Z-0011**, introduced on March 8, 2000, rezoning approximately 496 acres known as Bull Run, located on the west side of Thomasville Road across from Kerry Forest Parkway and Lenox Mill Road, from Target Planning Area (TPA) to Planned Unit Development (PUD), application filed by Block Land and Finance Company, subject to the following Planning Commission recommended conditions of approval based on findings established by the Planning Commission (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*):

All residential lots adjoining the western property line and within Parcel 10 shall include a 50-foot wide natural buffer and a minimum lot size of  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre (including the 50-foot natural buffer).

The PUD concept document shall be revised to include site design and guidelines for educational facilities as recommended by the Planning Department (Attachment #8 to the City Commission Agenda Item)

The PUD concept plan shall be revised to include a 30-foot wide natural buffer around the perimeter of the site where the proposed residential components adjoin existing residential properties (as proposed by the applicant during his testimony).

The following persons appeared before the Commission relative to this item:

Ms. Randie Denker, 7600 Bradfordville Rd. (opponent)

Mr. Jeffrey Brown, 301 S. Bronough St., Suite 500, representing Mr. and Ms. James Wolf, and Ms. Helen Rawls (opponent)

Ms. Helen B. Rawls, 1890 Ox Bottom Rd. (opponent)

Mr. Jim Wolf, 1880 Ox Bottom Rd. (opponent)

Mr. Frasier Bingham, 1892 Ox Bottom Rd. (opponent)

Mr. Jeffrey Mandell, 1896 Ox Bottom Rd., representing the Ox Bottom Road Area Neighborhood Assn. (opponent)

Mr. Byron Block, 3737 Swallowtail Trace, Managing Partner and Owner of Bull Run Property, Block Land & Finance Co., Ltd., 1415 E. Piedmont Dr., Suite 3 (385-3900) (proponent)

Mr. Stephen Turner, 215 S. Monroe St., representing Bull Run (proponent)

Ms. Nancy Linnan, 215 S. Monroe St., Suite 500, representing Block Land & Finance (proponent)

Ms. Henree Martin, 5027 Centennial Oak Cr. (proponent)

Ms. Ann Bidlingmaier, 1940 Sageway Dr. (opponent)

Ms. Pamela Hall, 5051 Quail Valley Rd., representing Centerville Rural Community Assn. (CeRCA) (opponent)

Mr. Derryl Dismukes, 3331 Lenox Mill Rd., representing the Lenox Mill Homeowners Assn. (opponent)

Ms. Candy Barrios, 2485 Ox Bottom Rd., representing the Ox Bottom Road Area Neighborhood Assn. (opponent)

Ms. Debra Lachter, 7187 Ox Bow Circle (opponent)

Mr. Ed Murray, 2117 Jennette St., representing Byron Block - Bull Run (proponent)

Mr. Clifford M. Lamb, 201 Pinewood Dr., engineer for the owner/applicant (proponent)

Mr. Jay Adams, 215 S. Monroe St., Suite 400, representing Block Land & Finance (proponent)

Mr. Don Darden, 1134 Ox Bottom Rd., representing Ox Bottom residents (opponent)

**Unagendaed:**

Mr. Eugene Danaher, Route 3, appeared before the Commission and offered some suggestions relative to the best use of police officers, starting the Commission meetings on time, the Commission Retreat not being held at a local facility, and hiring consultants with an international viewpoint.

Ms. Randie Denker reappeared before the Commission and discussed the Bull Run PUD.

Ms. Pamela Hall, 5051 Quail Valley, representing CeRCA, reappeared before the Commission and encouraged better planning to prevent urban sprawl.

Mr. Dan McDaniel, 1907 Ivan Dr., reappeared before the Commission and discussed additional houses being developed in single family neighborhoods for utilization as student housing.

Ms. Candy Barrios, 2485 Ox Bottom Rd., reappeared before the Commission and discussed concerns with how the public was notified of the Bull Run development plans.

Mr. Jay Adams, 215 S. Monroe St., Suite 400, re-appeared before the Commission as the representing TTK, L.L.C./Equity Alliance, 32 Elk Rd., Bedford, N.H., the developer of Evergreens at Mahan, and discussed the planning that had gone into this development over the years.

Ms. Sarah Cawthon, 778 Lupine Lane, reappeared before the Commission and discussed the Meadowbrook residents' concerns that they had not received advance notice of the Evergreens at Mahan development plan. She urged the Commission to help protect the quality of their neighborhood.

The Commission discussed the status of the investigation into the concerns of the residents of the Meadowbrook Neighborhood and concurred with the City Attorney's recommended deadline of April 20, 2000 to have a meeting set up for everyone involved and a format for the meeting.

The Commission confirmed that the presence of the police officers in the Chamber during the City Commission meetings was part of the overall improved security plan for City Hall.

APRIL 19, 2000

TARGET ISSUE AND SPECIAL WORKSHOP

The City Commission met in regular target issue workshop session and in special session, and took the following action:

**Item 1** - Received a staff briefing on the **Five-Year Financial Plan Update** for the City government

Voted 4-0 (Mayor Maddox absent) to approve the Five-Year Financial Plan parameters as presented to be used in developing the FY 2001 Operating and Capital Budgets, and the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) (*Option 1*), and authorize the Office of Budget and Policy to proceed to prepare a facilities plan to be used to determine the need for additional community facilities, using funding from the current year operating budget (*Option 2*), with the caveat that the analysis would be brought back for Commission approval if the cost was more than could be authorized by the City Manager

**Item 2** - Received a staff report and recommendations regarding the issue of **student housing in single family neighborhoods**

Voted 5-0 to initiate ordinances similar to those adopted by the City of Gainesville to address this problem, including a landlord permit ordinance (requiring residential landlords to be licensed by the City), an unrelated persons residential leases ordinance (barring more than three unrelated persons from living together in single family homes or duplexes), and a vehicular parking ordinance (requiring landlords to submit parking plans to City officials each year in order to renew their licenses)

Requested a report on the costs of personnel to adequately enforce these ordinances

APRIL 20, 2000

**JOINT CITY-COUNTY COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING  
ON PROPOSED CYCLE 2000-2 AMENDMENTS  
TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The City Commission met in special joint session with the Board of County Commissioners (County Commission) and took the following action (City Commissioners Billings and Bailey absent):

Held a joint public hearing on the **Proposed Cycle 2000-2 Amendments** to the Tallahassee-Leon County 2010 Comprehensive Plan (outlined on attached Summary Chart) [Staff announced the Transmittal Public Hearing scheduled for May 24, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Chamber, Second Floor, City Hall, and the Adoption Public Hearing scheduled for September 19, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Commission Chamber, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, County Courthouse]

Requested additional staff analysis and some maps showing areas affected by the 1,000-foot rule on **Amendment 00-2-M-003** (to be provided at the separately-scheduled City and County Commission Cycle 2000-2 Amendments Workshops)

Relative to **Amendment 00-2-M-006**, requested an historic overview of the area rezoning requests since 1978; also, suggested that the applicant consider the alternative of filing a revised amendment in the next amendment cycle in conjunction with a unified development plan

Concurred with the staff's intent to revise the language of **Amendment 00-2-T-001**, addressing a scenic overlay for Thomasville Road from Post Road to I-10, for submittal to the City and County Commissions prior to their scheduled amendments workshops

Also concurred to discuss the Commissions' vision of creating a phasing plan for a long-term scenic overlay for Thomasville Road from the Georgia State line back to Interstate 10

The following persons appeared before the Joint Commission relative to the noted amendments:

Amendment 00-2-M-002

Ms. Morgan Patterson, 2770 Thornton Road (opponent)

Amendment 00-2-M-003

Mr. Rick Geshwiler, 217 John Knox Road (proponent)

Mr. Dempsey Andrews, 1456 Nora Drive (proponent)

Amendment 00-2-M-004

Mr. Dempsey Andrews, 1456 Nora Drive (proponent)

Amendment 00-2-M-005

Mr. Bruce I. Wiener, 1300 Thomaswood Drive,

representing Mr. Keith Lawson (proponent)

Mr. Tom O'Steen, 555 Moss View Way (proponent)

Amendment 00-2-M-006

Mr. Bob Teel, 3301 Martin Hurst (opponent)

Mr. Richard Moore, 502 E. Park Avenue,

representing Kids Venture, Inc. (proponent)

Mr. Harry Middlebrooks, Lakeshore Drive (proponent)

Mr. Pat Krause, 3628 Pine Tip Road,

representing the applicant (proponent)

Mr. Larry Elliott, 10877 Old Centerville Road (proponent)

Mr. Geri Eaton, 215 Delta Court,

representing Advantage Real Estate Services (proponent)

Mr. Jim Waddell, 249 John Knox Road,

representing L. D. Engineering (proponent)

Ms. Elva Peppers, 2916 E. Park Avenue,

representing The Phoenix Environmental Group, Inc. (proponent)

Ms. Annette Krause, 3628 Pine Tip Road (proponent)

Ms. Margery Tully, 1319 Leewood Drive (opponent)

Mr. John Thomas, 1430 Millstream Road (opponent)

Mr. Earl Dobert, 1503 Millstream Road (opponent)

Ms. Meg Bates, 721 Kenilworth Road, Secretary of the Waverly Hills  
Neighborhood Assn. Board of Directors (opponent)

Mr. Skip Cook, 1358 Millstream Road, President of the Millstream  
Property Owners Assn. (opponent)

Mr. Calvin Zongker, 601 Live Oak Plantation Road (opponent)

Mr. Rudy Nunez, 502 E. Park Avenue,

representing the owners/developer (proponent)

Ms. Peggy Munroe, 1514 Belleauwood Drive (proponent)

Mr. Pat Rose, 5171 Widefield (opponent)

Mr. David Mica, 1262 Millstream Road (opponent)

Amendment 00-2-M-007

Mr. Rick Geshwiler, 217 John Knox Road (proponent)

Mr. Eugene R. Robinson, 1242 Dempsey Mayo Road (opponent)

Mr. Mark Collins, 4442 Maylor Road (opponent)

Amendment 00-2-M-008

Mr. Rick Geshwiler, 217 John Knox Road (proponent)

Mr. Tom Morgan, 2996 Fenwick Court East (Foxcroft) (opponent)

(a large segment of the audience indicated support of Mr. Morgan's comments)

Mr. Richard Turner, 4919 Heathe Drive (opponent)

Ms. Karen Celandier, 2801 Heathe Court (opponent)

Mr. Jim Waddell, 249 John Knox Road,

Engineer for the Applicant (proponent)

Ms. Jolen Wolf, 1880 Ox Bottom Road (opponent)

Mr. Jim Wolf, 1880 Ox Bottom Road (opponent)

Ms. Susan Muenchow, 3112 Dowling Drive (opponent)

Mr. Jake Beard, 6755 Circle J Drive (opponent)

Mr. H. E. Rick Grant, 2675 Ox Bottom Road (opponent)

Mr. Pat Rose, 5171 Widefield (opponent)

Ms. Janet Wiemer, 6773 Circle J. Drive, President of the Circle J Neighborhood Assn. (opponent)

Ms. Candy Barrios, 2485 Ox Bottom Road, Vice Chair of Ox Bottom Road Neighborhood Assn. (opponent)

Mr. Frasier Bingham, 1892 Ox Bottom Road (opponent)

Mr. Robert J. Furey, 5349 Tewkesbury Trace, President of the Northampton Homeowners Assn. (opponent)

Mr. Robert Parrish, 2282 Killearn Court (proponent)

Amendment 00-2-T-001

Mr. Jim Wolf, 1880 Ox Bottom Road (proponent)

Mr. Pat Rose, 5171 Widefield (proponent)

Ms. Candy Barrios, 2485 Ox Bottom Road (proponent)

Mr. Frasier Bingham, 1892 Ox Bottom Road (proponent)

Mr. Richard Moore, 502 E. Park Avenue (informational – requested application of this amendment be limited to the segment of Thomasville Road between Post Road and Live Oak Plantation Road)

Ms. Meg Bates, 721 Kenilworth Road (proponent)

Amendment 00-2-T-004:

Ms. Jolen Wolf, 1880 Ox Bottom Road (opponent)

Mr. Jim Wolf, 1880 Ox Bottom Road (opponent)

Mr. Ken Oertel, 301 S. Bronough Street,  
representing Jim and Jolene Wolf (opponent)

Mr. Pat Rose, 5171 Widefield (opponent)

Ms. Candy Barrios, 2485 Ox Bottom Road (opponent)

Mr. David Bachman, 2114 Ox Bottom Road (opponent)

Mr. Frasier Bingham, 1892 Ox Bottom Road (opponent)

Mr. Byron Block, 3737 Swallowtail Trace (proponent)

Mr. Jay Adams, 215 S. Monroe Street, Suite 400,  
Attorney for Bull Run Development (proponent)

**PROPOSED CYCLE 2000-2 AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

<i>Item #</i>	<i>Amendment To</i>	<i>Nature of Proposed Amendment</i>	<i>Leon County School District Staff Comments</i>	<i>Planning Staff Recomm.</i>	<i>Local Planning Agency (LPA) Recomm.</i>
<b>M-001</b>	FUTURE LAND USE MAP  (North Macomb Street between West Virginia and West Carolina Streets)	From: Central Urban  To: Downtown  2.22 Ac.	No impact on Leon County Schools.	Approve	Approve
<b>M-002</b>	FUTURE LAND USE MAP  (North side of Mahan Drive, approximately 700 feet east of Thornton Road)	From: Residential Preservation  To: Mixed Use A  (Suburban Corridor development pattern requested)  5.51 Ac.	No impact on Leon County Schools.	Deny	Deny

<p><b>M-003</b></p>	<p>FUTURE LAND USE MAP</p> <p>(South side of Blountstown Highway between Ravensview Drive and Rock Drive)</p>	<p>From: Residential Preservation</p> <p>To: Mixed Use B &amp; Expand the USA</p> <p>(Village Center development pattern requested)</p> <p>2.48 Ac.</p>	<p>No impact on Leon County Schools.</p>	<p>Deny</p>	<p>Deny</p>
<p><b>M-004</b></p>	<p>FUTURE LAND USE MAP</p> <p>(South side of Blountstown Highway on both sides of Alice Wester &amp; Frankie Lane Drives)</p>	<p>From: Urban Fringe</p> <p>To: Mixed Use B</p> <p>(Village Center development pattern requested)</p> <p>6.08 Ac.</p>	<p>No impact on Leon County Schools.</p>	<p>Deny</p>	<p>Deny</p>
<p><b>M-005</b></p>	<p>FUTURE LAND USE MAP</p> <p>(230 feet west of North Monroe Street &amp; 315 feet south of McKee Road)</p>	<p>From: Residential Preservation</p> <p>To: Mixed Use A</p> <p>(Suburban Corridor development pattern requested)</p> <p>0.50 Ac.</p>	<p>No impact on Leon County Schools.</p>	<p>Approve</p> <p>(Medium Density Residential Office development pattern)</p>	<p>Approve</p> <p>(Suburban Corridor development pattern)</p>
<p><b>M-006</b></p>	<p>FUTURE LAND USE MAP</p> <p>(East side of Martin Hurst Road &amp; south side of I-10 at the Thomasville Road interchange)</p>	<p>From: Residential Preservation</p> <p>To: Mixed Use B</p> <p>(No development pattern requested)</p> <p>10.60 Ac.</p>	<p>No impact on Leon County Schools.</p>	<p>Deny</p>	<p>Deny</p>
<p><b>M-007</b></p>	<p>FUTURE LAND USE MAP</p> <p>(North side of Mahan Drive at the northwest corner of Dempsey Mayo Road)</p>	<p>From: Residential Preservation</p> <p>To: Mixed Use A</p> <p>(Village Center development pattern requested)</p>	<p>No impact on Leon County Schools.</p>	<p>Deny</p>	<p>Deny</p>

		<p>pattern requested)</p> <p>5.43 Ac.</p>			
<b>M-008</b>	<p>FUTURE LAND USE MAP</p> <p>(West side of Thomasville Road at the southwest corner of Ox Bottom Road)</p>	<p>From: Residential Preservation</p> <p>To: Mixed Use A</p> <p>(Low Density Residential Office development pattern requested)</p> <p>18.55 Ac.</p>	No impact on Leon County Schools.	Deny	Deny
<b>T-001</b>	<p>LAND USE ELEMENT</p> <p>(New Policy)</p>	<p>Provides direction for future development in Thomasville Road corridor in order to protect its scenic visual quality and residential character.</p>	Support amendment.	Approve	Deny
<b>T-002</b>	<p>LAND USE ELEMENT (Map) &amp;</p> <p>TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT (Map)</p>	<p>Expands boundaries of the Urban Central Business District &amp; Central Business District / Downtown Revitalization area.</p>	Support amendment.	Approve	Approve
<b>T-003</b>	<p>LAND USE ELEMENT</p> <p>(New Policy)</p>	<p>Designates the Gaines Street Corridor Study area as an Urban Infill &amp; Redevelopment Area.</p>	Support amendment.	Approve	Approve
<b>T-004</b>	<p>LAND USE ELEMENT</p> <p>(Revise Goal 8)</p>	<p>Clarifies that the Bradfordville goal, objectives and policies do not apply to certain city properties</p>	n/a	Approve	Approve

APRIL 26, 2000

The City Commission met in regular session and took the following action:

**Item 1** - Presented a proclamation proclaiming the week of April 24-30, 2000 as National Community Development Week 2000 in the City of Tallahassee as a participant in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program

**Item 2** - Presented a proclamation recognizing Captain Paul Kirkpatrick of the Tallahassee Police Department in recognition of his recent graduation from the FBI National Academy as a member of the first graduating class of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, representing the City of Tallahassee and the Tallahassee Police Department

**Item 3** (*moved to the end of the meeting to accommodate Senator Meek's schedule*) - Heard comments by Senator Kendrick Meek, who thanked the City of Tallahassee for its contribution in the One Florida March (the March 7, 2000 protest march up Apalachee Parkway to the Capitol to protest the State Legislature's proposed "One Florida Plan" legislation banning affirmative action in the State's college admissions and State contracts)

The Commission briefly discussed activities in the Capital City having a Statewide impact and acknowledged Senator Meek's mother's assistance in the Frenchtown Renaissance.

**Item 4** - Heard comments by Ms. Marilyn Larson, Executive Director of the Downtown Improvement Authority (DIA), requesting funding to begin implementation of the Market Analysis Findings, i.e., develop the retail and residential markets within the DIA district and surrounding areas as provided within the Market Analysis, completed by Marketek, Inc. in September 1999. The request of the DIA Board was to authorize an expenditure in Fiscal Year 2000 (FY00) in the amount of \$25,000 to match the DIA set aside in FY00, and direct staff to identify \$50,000 in the FY 2001 Budget to continue the program through FY01.

By consensus, the Commission requested staff to clarify whether any funds were available in the Economic Development budget for downtown improvement, and bring back some recommended options in two weeks if that was a possibility. The Commission also indicated that this item would be considered during upcoming budget sessions if action was not taken prior to that time.

**Items 5-9 and 11-17** - Voted 5-0 to approve the staff's recommendations as presented in Consent agenda items 5-9 and 11-17, taking the action shown:

Item 5 - Approved the ranking of firms as recommended by the Selection Committee, and awarded a one-year contract, with an option for two one-year extensions, for the provision of security services for City Hall to **DSI Security Services**, for an annual cost of \$116,068.89, and authorized a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$14,000 from the City's Contingency Fund to cover the increased cost of this service for the remainder of the current fiscal year (June 1, 2000 - September 30, 2000) (*Option 1 as proposed by Building Services*)

Item 6 - Awarded a three-year continuing price agreement contract for the printing of the City's utility bill insert, *Insight*, to **Insty-Prints of Tallahassee**, low bidder meeting specifications, and authorized expenditures over the next three years in an amount not to exceed \$78,000 (*Option 1 as proposed by Communications/Public Information*)

Item 7 - Approved a one-year extension of the consulting engineering services contracts with **Raytheon Engineers & Constructors**, and **Sargent and Lundy** to support the technical and operating needs of the City's electric generating facilities (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Production*)

Item 8 - Awarded RFP 0040-00-KR-RC for the replacement of Purdom Gas Turbine Generator Units 1 (GT1) and 2 (FT2) controls to **ABB Automation Inc.**, sole bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$400,000; authorized the transfer of \$170,000 from W.O. #99166, Purdom Turbine Building Roof Replacement, to W.O. #99164, Install Combustion Turbine Remote Control (*Option 1 as proposed by Electric Operations/Production*)

Item 9 - Authorized Information Systems Services (ISS) staff to purchase from **Wareforce, Inc.**, the Microsoft Office 2000 Upgrade -- Professional Software Package, on State Contract No. 252-260-54, in the amount of \$346,871 (*Option 1 as proposed by CISO*)

*Item 10 - Deleted from the agenda the dedication and approval of the Piney Z, Phase 7-B Subdivision Plat, a 41.61-acre single-family detached residential subdivision, subdivided into 101 lots, lying approximately 0.6 miles north of Apalachee Parkway on Conner Boulevard (proposed by Public Works/Engineering)*

Item 11 - Awarded the purchase of eleven (11) medium duty flatbed dump trucks from **Tallahassee Mack Sales, Inc. of Tallahassee, Florida**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$720,130 *(Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management)*

Item 12 - Awarded the purchase of one (1) medium duty combination sewer/vacuum truck from **Tallahassee Mack Sales, Inc. of Tallahassee, Florida**, low bidder meeting specifications, in the amount of \$143,652 *(Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management)*

Item 13 - Awarded the purchase of one (1) 6x6 excavator from the **Gradall Company of New Philadelphia, Ohio**, under State Contract No. 760-001-99-1, in the amount of \$244,604.50 *(Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/Fleet Management)*

Item 14 - Approved wireline crossing agreements with CSX Transportation and adopted **Resolution No. 00-R-14**, authorizing execution of agreements for the City's installation of fiber optic communication lines across various rail lines belonging to CSX Transportation *(Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney)*

Item 15 - Adopted **Resolution No. 00-R-18**, authorizing Eminent Domain action for the acquisition of property required for construction of a stormwater pond for the Sutor Road PASS Project *(as proposed by the City Attorney)*

Item 16 - Approved the recommended **settlement with Devoe Moore and Shirley Moore** providing for the City's payment of \$600,000 to Devoe Moore and Shirley Moore, with the City to provide stormwater management capacity for the remaining acre owned by the Moores, plus interest in the amount of \$95,967.12, and Attorney Fees in the amount of \$118,800, an Appraiser Fee in the amount of \$5,445, and an Engineer Fee in the amount of \$3,384.25, for total costs of \$583,596 in addition to the \$600,000 settlement approved by the Commission on January 12, 2000 – necessary for the acquisition of property needed for the Appleyard Drive - Mission Road Realignment Project *(Option 1 as proposed by the City Attorney)*

Item 17 - Approved the **minutes** as distributed for the February 23 and March 8, 2000 Regular City Commission Meetings, and the December 1, 1999 and April 11, 2000 Special City Commission Meetings *(as proposed by the City Treasurer-Clerk/Records Management)*

**Item 18** - By consensus, introduced **Crawfordville Highway/Annett et al. Annexation Ordinance No. 00-O-23**, which would provide for the voluntary annexation of 44 acres located on the Crawfordville Highway south of Capital Circle, with public hearing set for May 10, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. *(as proposed by the Department of Management & Administration (DMA)/Office of Budget & Policy)*

**Item 19** - By consensus, introduced **Capital Circle Southwest / Crawfordville Highway Annexation Ordinance No. 00-O-24**, which would provide for the voluntary annexation of 68.5 acres located on Capital Circle Southwest and the Crawfordville Highway *(as proposed by DMA/Office of Budget & Policy)*

**Item 19.1** - Voted 5-0 to initiate a **City Commission rezoning application on behalf of property owners Martin R. Page and Ellen B. Page** to rezone 7.53 acres fronting on the north side of Centerville Road east of Shiloh Way, which was annexed into the City in 1998, from County Residential Preservation (RP) to RP-1 (the property must be rezoned to a City zoning district prior to the approval of subdivision plans) *(Option 1 as proposed by Planning)*

**Item 20** - Voted 5-0 to approve the **Annexation Strategy for FY 2000/2001** -- including Southeast Tallahassee Areas A and B, and East Tallahassee Areas A and B, and Northwest Tallahassee Areas A and B as study areas to be surveyed for future referendum annexations -- and directed staff to proceed with the targeted annexations giving priority to the Northwest Tallahassee Area Study with the objective of holding a referendum for the Northwest Tallahassee Study areas on November 7, 2000; approved the recommended Incentives Program, to be tailored to fit the needs of each area as specific needs are identified; and funded an opinion survey and a related public information program, at an estimated cost of \$30,000 from the Annexation Reserve Fund *(Option 1 as proposed by DMA/Office of Budget & Policy)*

Clarified the potential of including additional areas in the November 7, 2000 annexation referendum

Discussed funding the development of the Northwest Park on Fred George and Mission Roads as a key commitment if the Northwest Tallahassee Study Area approved the annexation, ensuring the planning for the park would be holistic and include stormwater planning so that the park would be environmentally supportive, the need for a full report on the extent of problems in the annexation areas, and the costs of extending the central sewer infrastructure

**Item 21** - Voted 5-0 to authorize the Tallahassee Police Department to apply for, accept and expend a **CrimeTrax Grant**, in the amount of \$148,102, from the Florida Department of Community Affairs (FDCA) and matching funds, in the amount of \$49,367, from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) and the Florida Department of Corrections (FDOC), in support of the Florida CrimeTrax pilot project – providing funding for a contract with a technology contractor for continuing the project using local positioning satellites and completing the operational pilot phase, thereby enabling TPD and the other participating agencies to more effectively monitor felony offenders under court-ordered probation or community control (*Option 1 as proposed by TPD*)

Mr. Harry Yates, FDLE representative, appeared before the Commission in support of this item; he also acknowledged and expressed appreciation for the leadership and vision of Police Chief McNeil, Officer Greg Frost and other members of the Tallahassee Police Department who had helped with the initiation of this concept

**Item 22** - Received a report on the **10kW Solar Energy Demonstration Project**, an Electric & Gas Strategic Plan initiative being implemented at an estimated cost of \$175,000 [pursuant to a commitment in March 1997 as a part of the hearings before the Public Service Commission (PSC) for approval of the Purdom 8 Project] by incorporating the solar system directly into the construction of the new Aquatics Center bathhouse, located on John Knox Road, and meeting the requirements of the Legal Environmental Assistance Foundation (LEAF) – currently utilizing the services of Energy Services & Products, a solar energy design and construction firm; voted 5-0 to accept the staff's report (*presented by Utility Business & Customer Services*)

**Item 23** - Voted 5-0 to approve an appropriation in the amount of \$167,848 to the Stormwater Management Division (SMD) Capital Budget and a contract, in the amount of \$95,835, with **Dames and Moore**, accelerating commencement of the work on the Stormwater Pollution Reduction Program (SPRP) (*Option 1 as proposed by Public Works/SMD*)

Stressed the importance of coordinating and sharing information with the County government on this stormwater program

Also, discussed ensuring that the contract did not duplicate work being done by some other group in the County and also provided the highest quality of analysis so that the data and solutions were geographically specific

**Item 24** - Deleted from the agenda the approval of a **Special Events Policy** (*presented by DMA/Office of Budget & Policy*)

**Item 24.1** - Voted 5-0 to consent to Comcast's proposed Transfer Application, transferring the cablevision franchise to Time Warner Entertainment-Advance/Newhouse Partnership (Time Warner); adopt **Resolution No. 00-R-13**, authorizing the City Manager to execute the **Transfer Agreement from Comcast to Time Warner**; and authorize the City Manager to execute a new "Joint Use Agreement" with Comcast or Time Warner, as appropriate (*Option 1 as proposed by Utility Business & Customer Service/Cable Regulations*)

**Item 25** - Heard comments by **Mr. Terry Fregly**, 1801 N. Monroe Street, requesting a waiver of the \$1,695 application fee for an environmental variance to maintain and develop Centerville Park Commercial Subdivision Lots 8-13, Block "C", subject to a 50-foot canopy road setback

After some discussion and confirmation that the staff had no objection, the Commission voted 5-0 to approve the request.

**Item 26** - Moved from a public hearing to a policy discussion -- **Item 19.1** -- the City Commission initiation of a rezoning application on behalf of property owners Martin R. Page and Ellen B. Page to rezone 7.53 acres fronting on the north side of Centerville Road east of Shiloh Way (*proposed by Planning*)

**Item 27** - Held a public hearing on **The Tuning Point & Gene Wilcox Abandonment Ordinance No. 00-O-0017**, introduced on April 12, 2000, which would abandon a Pecan Endowment Subdivision road right-of-way, located south of Fred George Road and west of North Monroe Street to the rear of Precision Tune at 3812 N. Monroe Street, and recommended for approval by the Planning Commission; voted 5-0 to adopt Ordinance No. 00-O-0017 and abandon the right-of-way per the applicants' request (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*)

**Item 28** - Held a public hearing on **Mahan/Buck Lake Road II Voluntary Annexation Ordinance No. 00-O-22**, introduced on April 12, 2000, which would annex a .486-acre parcel located on the north side of Mahan Drive (US 90) near Buck Lake Road to the City of Tallahassee, as requested by the owner, Sopchoppy Development, Inc. (represented by Mr. Jimmy Flood, 2402 Clark Avenue, Albany, GA 31705); voted 5-0 to adopt Ordinance No. 00-O-22, concluding the annexation process for the Mahan/Buck Lake Road II area and incorporating it into the City of Tallahassee (*Option 1 as proposed by DMA/Office of Budget & Policy*)

**Item 29** - Held a public hearing on **Ordinance No. 00-Z-0015**, which would rezone 1.53 acres located at the northeast intersection of Magnolia Drive and Park Avenue from Office Residential 3 (OR-3) to Neighborhood Commercial 2 (C-2), as requested by Bert Boldt, II (RZ-229) and voted 3-2 to adopt Ordinance No. 00-Z-0015, based on findings established by the City Commission, and waive the filing fee (**Option 3 as proposed by Planning**). [*The staff's recommendation had been to deny the ordinance and maintain the current OR-3 zoning based on findings of the Planning Commission (which had voted 4-1 to recommend denial of the rezoning request) and waive the filing fee (Option 4).*]

Discussion focused on the Commission majority finding the request for C-2 zoning to be equitable based on the frontage on Magnolia Drive and the plans for the future widening of Park Avenue at the Magnolia Drive intersection

**Item 30** - Held a public hearing on **Trinity Catholic Rezoning Ordinance No. 00-Z-0018**, which would rezone approximately 7.7 acres located at the intersection of Brevard Street and Miccosukee Road, from Residential Preservation 2 (RP-2) to Planned Unit Development (PUD), as requested by the Bishop of the Diocese of Pensacola and Tallahassee (RZ-235) [*recommended for approval on a 4-0 vote by the Planning Commission with conditions*]; and voted 5-0 to adopt Ordinance No. 00-Z-0018, amending the Official Zoning Map from RP-2 to PUD subject to the Planning Commission's following recommended conditions (*Option 1 as proposed by Planning*):

Remove the reverter clause on page 4 of the PUD document

Include a parking standard in the PUD to reflect adequate on-site parking

Mr. Chris Bryant, Oertel Hoffman Fernandez & Cole, P. O. Box 1110 (32302), representing Trinity Catholic School, appeared before the Commission in support of the rezoning request.

Mr. George Drake, 704 E. Georgia Street, appeared before the Commission relative to traffic concerns and presented a petition signed by 33 residents along East Georgia Street requesting that the City provide some traffic calming on the section of East Georgia Street between Hillcrest Street and Miccosukee Road.

**Unagendaed** - Heard from Ms. Vaulda Whiddon, 238 Dixie Drive, relative to her concerns with increasing stormwater flooding on her property as the result of the development of adjacent property

The Commission confirmed with the staff that steps were already underway to address this situation and requested that staff provide the Commission with a report on the resolution of Ms. Whiddon's concerns.

Additionally, the Commission briefly discussed Item 5 and the orientation provided for new security personnel.