

**THE CITY OF WEST PARK
CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 6, 2016
7:00 p.m.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The **Regular Meeting** of the City Commission of the City of West Park was held in the Commission Chamber, 1965 South State Road 7, West Park, Florida on **Wednesday, January 6, 2016**.

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

The city clerk called the roll. The following were present: Mayor Eric Jones, and Commissioners Thomas Dorsett, Brian Johnson, and Kristine Judeikis.

Also present were: W. Ajibola Balogun, City Manager; Burnadette Norris-Weeks, City Attorney; Christopher Wallace, Finance Director; Lavelle Jenrette, Assistant to the City Manager; Wiener Chalvire, Permit and Accounts Analyst; Chief Danzell Brooks, Police Department; Captain Kane, Fire Department; Richard Cannone, Planning Department; Maritza Prebal, Supervisor of Administrative Services; Gia Lagana, Administrative Assistant to the City Manager; and Alexandra Grant, City Clerk.

3. INVOCATION

Mayor Jones led everyone present in the invocation.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jones led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. PRESENTATIONS

[Vice Mayor Mack arrived at the meeting at 7:08 p.m.]

Mr. Balogun gave a brief presentation on behalf of the City Commission, in recognition of Staff as a thank you for their efforts over the past year, specifically in the planning of the 10th Year Anniversary Celebrations. He presented commendation plaques to Staff members including Mr. Wiener Chalvire, Ms. Carol Aubrun, Mr. Dan Millien, Mr. Cesar Garcia, Mr. Lavelle Jenrette, Ms. Maritza Prebal, Ms. Gia Lagana, and Ms. Alexandra Grant.

Mayor Jones expressed appreciation and commended Mr. Balogun and Staff for their time and efforts on the 10th Anniversary Celebrations.

6. OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS COMMISSION

Mayor Jones opened the Public Comments portion of the meeting.

As no one spoke, Mayor Jones closed the Public Comments portion of the meeting.

7. RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Judeikis, and seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Jones asked for a roll call vote. In a roll call vote, all voted in favor and the following actions were taken:

1. **ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2016-01:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST PARK, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SUBMIT A FUNDING APPLICATION TO THE CHILDREN’S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY (CSC) FOR THE “YOUTH FORCE 2016” REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP); AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO SATISFY THE GRANT APPLICATION; PROVIDING COMMITMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

2. **ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2016-02:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST PARK, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ISSUE A SERVICE WORK ORDER TO M.C. HARRY AND ASSOCIATES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$80,000.00) FOR PREPARATON OF PRELIMINARY DESIGN DOCUMENTS FOR THE MCTYRE PARK CULTURAL CENTER; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

[Vice Mayor Mack left the meeting due to illness.]

8. RESOLUTIONS – (PUBLIC HEARING)

1. The City Clerk read the following resolution title into record:
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST PARK, FLORIDA, MODIFYING THE COMMUNITY BUS SERVICE ROUTE FOLLOWING HEARING; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE
(Resolution 2016-03)

A motion was made by Commissioner Dorsett, and seconded by Commissioner Judeikis, to approve.

Mr. Balogun briefly summarized the proposed new bus route and schedule which was intended to help increase ridership.

Mayor Jones opened the public hearing. As no one spoke, Mayor Jones closed the public hearing.

Mayor Jones asked for a roll call vote. In a roll call vote, all voted in favor.

2. The City Clerk read the following resolution title into record:
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST PARK, FLORIDA EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE ATTACHED CONCEPTUAL DESIGN FOR THE SW 48th AVENUE STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (BROWARD MPO) AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT)
(Resolution 2016-04)

A motion was made by Commissioner Dorsett, and seconded by Commissioner Judeikis, to approve.

Mr. Balogun briefly explained the history of this item and introduced Mr. Jose Olivo, consultant on the project.

Mr. Olivo of DisAmerica, briefly explained the conceptual designs presented outlining the proposed improvements.

Mayor Jones asked for a roll call vote. In a roll call vote, all voted in favor.

9. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – W. Ajibola Balogun

Mr. Balogun invited Chief Brooks to speak at this time.

Chief Brooks introduced new District 1 police officer, Sergeant Shonda Martin.

Sergeant Martin introduced herself to the Commission and all present and briefly described her professional background in law enforcement.

A. Status/Updates:

i. Florida Municipal Insurance Trust – FY 2013-14 Return of Premiums

Mr. Balogun indicated there was a memorandum in the Agenda packet concerning a refund of \$7,026.00 refund from the FMIT to the City, as done in previous years.

(Supplemental materials for this item were submitted and are filed with the records of this meeting).

ii. Letter from the County Regarding Ordinance Allowing for the Issuance of a Civil Citation for the Possession of Twenty (20) grams or less of Cannabis

Mr. Balogun advised that the County had requested that any cities that wished to opt out of the ordinance allowing for the issuance of a civil citation for possession of 20 grams or less of cannabis. He asked the Commission members to advise their comments by the next meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson, and seconded by Commissioner Judeikis, to develop a resolution indicating the City's support of the County Ordinance.

(Supplemental materials for this item were submitted and are filed with the records of this meeting).

iii. Letter from the County Regarding Proposed Local Amendment to Building Code for Bi-Directional Amplifiers in Facilities

Mr. Balogun explained that the County had crafted a policy proposing amendments to local building codes; however this would not affect the City. He said this item was presented as information.

(Supplemental materials for this item were submitted and are filed with the records of this meeting).

iv. Oasis Rooms Reading Volunteers

Mr. Balogun announced that the Lake Forest Elementary School was requesting volunteers to read to students in the Reading Oasis Room. He advised that the school had designated the third Tuesday each month as West Park's reading day. He stated that Staff planned to present this request to the Education Advisory Committee members.

(Supplemental materials for this item were submitted and are filed with the records of this meeting).

v. 10th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration

Mr. Millien briefly announced plans for the upcoming 10th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, January 18, 2016, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at McTyre Park. He also announced other celebrations that would begin starting on Friday, January 15 and throughout the weekend.

(Supplemental materials for this item were submitted and are filed with the records of this meeting).

vi. Free Fresh Produce and Dried Foods Giveaway

Mr. Balogun announced that the next Free Fresh Produce and Dried Foods Distribution was scheduled for Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

(Supplemental materials for this item were submitted and are filed with the records of this meeting).

10. NEW BUSINESS

1. Assistance Needed For Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

Mr. Balogun said Vice Mayor Mack had advised that this issue has been resolved.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

12. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER & COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Johnson expressed gratitude to the City Manager and Staff for all their efforts over the past year and for the holiday events.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before this Body, the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Alexandra Grant, City Clerk

Approved at the _____ City Commission Meeting

Eric H. Jones, Mayor