

CITY OF INGLESIDE ON THE BAY
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
January 2, 2007

- I. City Council Workshop was called to order by Mayor Foster at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Silent prayer was observed.
- III. Mayor Foster led the Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Roll Call: Present were Mayor Foster, Alderman Gillespie, Garbutt, Ehmann, Morgan and Watson
- V. Citizen Participation
Don Poenisch stated his opinion that the City and residents should help their neighbors not make things harder. The City has current, valid and effective ordinances.
Bruce Thauburn stated everyone is bound by rules, in his opinion the proposed ordinances revisions are going too fast. The comprehensive master plan should be revised before any ordinances are revised. The proposed ordinances are comparable to the old ordinances and the revisions should be done slowly.
Charlotte Lawrence stated she was concerned about statements made by P&Z members. Things have changes since Hurricane Katrina and we need to stay up to date.
Marci Counter agreed we are now in post Katrina; there must be guidance and laws for our own safety. The City needs to move with the times.
Jim Isbell clarified his remarks he made referring to his property taxes and the response of other citizens. He is unclear how the ordinances have anything to do with FEMA. He also stated his opinion against sections in the proposed ordinances.
Mayor Foster explained the ordinances being reviewed are from 1992 and the laws have changed and are not longer in existence. The ordinances need to reflect the changes in the laws. In the past ^{some} Council Meetings it has been made clear that updating needed to be done, however, nothing has been revised to reflect the changes in laws and regulations.
- VI. Old Business: Discussion
- Item A: Discuss Ordinance Relating to Regulation of Litter, Weeds, Rubbish, Carrion, Filth and Care of Premises
Comments were received from the audience.
Alderman Ehmann stated she has compared the proposed ordinance with the current one, they say much the same thing. Alderman Ehmann, Garbutt and Gillespie stated their agreement with using the current ordinance with changes to up date it. Bruce Thauburn asked for a natural vegetation clause be added to the changes. Discussion occurred concerning right of way requirements. A request for fee increase was made
- Item B: Discuss Ordinance Relating to Regulation of Abandoned and Junk Vehicles and Other Abandoned Property
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Alderman Gillespie stated he would cross the Transportation Code with the proposed ordinance
Sections of the Transportation Code were read by Alderman Gillespie. Discussion we held concerning clarification of the Transportation Code. Comments and suggestions from the audience were made. Explanations and answers of questions from the audience occurred.

Item C: Discuss Ordinance Repealing Ordinance 1992-14 and 1992-15 Creating the Planning and Zoning Commission for the City, Providing Procedures for Appointing Members of the Commission; Defining Their Powers and Duties
Clarifications of corrections were made. Discussion of the changes occurred.

Item D: Discuss Ordinance Providing for the Regulation of Parking on Public Streets, Public Property and Private Property within the City; Providing for the Regulation of Boats Stored on Residential Property within the City and Providing a Penalty
Comments were received from the audience. Discussion and clarification of changes was held. Alderman Garbutt suggested Section 2 paragraph (c) be removed. Alderman Gillespie read several definitions from the Transportation Code to clarify changes suggested.

Item E: Discuss Ordinance Establishing the Duties and Responsibilities of the Park Board
Additions and changes of the ordinance were discussed. Alderman Gillespie stated a sign would be placed in the Park containing the rules of the park..

Several members of the audience voiced their appreciation of Council for all their hard work.

VI. Mayor Foster adjourned the workshop at 9:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted & attested:

Approved:



Diane Hosea
City Secretary



Cynthia B. Foster
Mayor