



Minutes of November 21, 2011

Meeting Called to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

P&Z Board Members

MEMBERS	11/21/11	10/3/11	9/19/11	8/29/11	7/18/11	6/20/11	5/16/11	4/25/11	4/4/11	3/7/11	2/7/11
Marianne McCoy	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P
Diane Sori	P	A	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Charles Cutler	A***										
Michelle Keirnan	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Craig Konhauzer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mark Aronson, Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
David Nall	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	***P	
John Valenti	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Bart Roper	P	A	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
VACANT		A**	A	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P

* Reappointed ** Resigned *** New appointment

STAFF PRESENT: Matt Wood, Director
Ro Woodward, Administrative Coordinator
Jeanette Wofford, City Arborist
Mike Bailey, Utilities Director/City Engineer

APPLICANTS: None

2. P&Z BOARD - MINUTES - WAIVE/APPROVE - OCTOBER 3, 2011 MOTION TO WAIVE READING OF MINUTES OF 10/3/11: Motion to waive the reading of the minutes made by Mr. Valenti and seconded by Ms. McCoy. All ayes on voice vote. APPROVE: Motion to approve made by Ms. McCoy and seconded by Mr. Valenti. There were all ayes on voice vote. Motion was approved.

3. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

Mr. Aronson mentioned that Charles Cutler was appointed to the Board to fill a vacant slot. He mentioned that he has known Mr. Cutler for a number of years and thought that he would make a good addition to the Board.

Mr. Wood remarked that Mr. Cutler was replacing Ms. Helen Cohen.

Ms. Woodward commented that in addition to Ms. Cohen resigning, Mr. Ben Schulman also resigned and there is currently a vacancy on the Board.

Ms. Keirnan remarked that Mr. Schulman was the Vice Chair.

Mr. Aronson asked that an election be included on the agenda for the next meeting to elect a Vice Chair to the Board.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

A. DISCUSSION FOR POSSIBLE CHANGES TO AMEND CHAPTER 19 AND 25 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO FLORIDA FRIENDLY LANDSCAPE GUIDANCE MODELS

Mr. Wood introduced Mr. Mike Bailey, Utilities Director/City Engineer and Ms. Jeanette Wofford, City Arborist.

Ms. Wofford explained that the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) renewed the City's permit to draw water from the Biscayne Aquifer for potable water supply. The new permit, issued April 12, 2010, comes with a number of conditions and requirements. Limiting Condition 23 states that the City shall submit a draft of a Florida-friendly landscape ordinance (based on "Florida Friendly Landscape Guidance Models for Ordinances, Covenants and Restrictions" January 2009, FDEP) within 180 days of the permit issuance and a final ordinance approved within 270 days of the permit issuance. A draft was prepared and sent to SFWMD on 10/14/2010, and they responded with recommendations on May 5, 2011. These proposed ordinance changes take these recommendations into consideration and are mainly reflected in Sections 19-118, 25-48, 25-49, 25-50 and a new Section 25-65 Protection of Water Quality & Quantity

"Florida Friendly" concepts and Best Management Practices (BMP's) were developed with the intent to establish minimum standards for the development, installation, and maintenance of landscape areas without inhibiting creative landscape design, construction and management. These practices are based on the premise that the quality of Florida's surface and ground water is affected by storm water and leachate. Improper landscape design, construction and management may contribute to nonpoint source pollution that affects ground water and surface water quality. Utilizing these concepts can reduce pollution, save water, as well as save labor, resources, and money. In addition, these concepts will also help to enhance property values, improve Florida's quality of life and protect natural resources for Florida residents well into the future.

Ms. Wofford went on to explain that during the review process there were other changes made to the landscape ordinance to replace outdated information. No major code requirement changes have been made. These changes affect Sections 25-41 thru Sections 25-50. Examples of some of the changes are:

- New definitions have been added to Section 25-41
- References to Community Appearance Board have been removed and replaced with Planning and Zoning Board.
- Some invasive and undesirable plant material has been eliminated. More desirable plant material has been added.
- References to South Florida Water Management's Xeriscape Plant Guide have been removed since it is no longer available.
- Other minor changes were made for clarification purposes.

Ms. Wofford concluded that all of those changes were part of the backup in the Board's packets. She commented that she has reviewed the ordinance and make the changes based on South Florida Water Management's draft models that they provided to her.

Mr. Roper commented that both Mr. Bailey and Ms. Wofford have agreed with these changes given the input and it meets all of their obligations.

Ms. Wofford agreed with Mr. Roper and that it meets all of their obligations.

MOTION: TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTERS 19 AND 25 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO FLORIDA FRIENDLY LANDSCAPE GUIDANCE MODELS. MOTION MADE BY MR. ROPER AND SECONDED BY MR. KONHAUZER. There were all eyes on roll call vote. Motion was approved.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

6. GROWTH MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Wood next regularly scheduled meeting would be on December 5th and there is a petition already scheduled for this meeting. Also, on the meeting of December 19th there are several petitions scheduled which he explained.

Ms. Sori mentioned that it was the week of Christmas and asked if that the December 19th meeting could be changed because it is right before Christmas and kids are off from school and kids are coming home from college for the holiday and could the December 19th agenda be on the first meeting of December.

Mr. Wood responded no due to advertising requirements for one of the petitions.

Mr. Aronson commented they would discuss the December 19th meeting further at the December 5th meeting.

7. BOARD MEMBERS' CONCERNS:

Mr. Aronson commented that he heard that Flamingo Road Church.com changed their name.

Ms. Woodward thought that is it now called Potential.

Mr. Aronson asked if they still used that web site anymore that they have on the side of their building that they weren't supposed to have.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

The Meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.