

ORANGE COUNTY/CITY OF ORLANDO
CONSOLIDATION OF SERVICES STUDY COMMISSION MEETING

MEETING OPENED

The Orange County/City of Orlando Consolidation of Services Study Commission (CSSC) met in the City Council Chambers, 400 S. Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida, on Monday, April 24, 2006. There being a quorum, Chairman Gabrielson called the CSSC meeting to order at 4:40 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following were present:

Orange County Representatives:

- Doug Kelly
- Jimmy Goff, Vice-chairman
- Fran Pignone

City of Orlando Representatives:

- Don Ammerman
- Scott Gabrielson, Chairman
- Kathy Putnam

Also present:

- CSSC General Counsel Woody Rodriguez
- CSSC Executive Director Dennis O'Neil
- City Clerk Alana Brenner
- County Minutes Supervisor Kathleen Johnson

Orange County Representatives Cesar Calvet and Monty Knox, City of Orlando Representative Cari Coats, and Orange County Legislative Delegation Representative Jim Kallinger were absent.

Orange County Legislative Delegation Representative Carolyn Fennell joined the meeting where indicated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE APRIL 17, 2006, MEETING

Upon a motion by Ms. Putnam, seconded by Mr. Ammerman, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote; Mr. Calvet, Ms. Coats, Ms. Fennell, Mr. Kallinger, and Mr. Knox were absent; the Commission approved the minutes of the April 17, 2006, meeting.

REVIEW OF LEGAL COUNSEL'S REVISIONS OF DRAFT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Rodriguez presented his revisions to the Draft Parks and Recreation Committee Report. Commission discussion ensued.

Ms. Fennell joined the meeting.

Upon a motion by Mr. Ammerman, seconded by Mr. Goff, and carried with Mr. Ammerman, Ms. Fennell, Chairman Gabrielson, Mr. Goff, Mr. Kelly, and Ms. Putnam voting AYE by voice vote; Ms. Pignone voting NO by voice vote; Mr. Calvet, Ms. Coats, Mr. Kallinger, and Mr. Knox were absent; the Commission accepted legal counsel's revisions to the Parks and Recreation Committee Report.

REVIEW OF LEGAL COUNSEL'S REVISIONS OF DRAFT WATER UTILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Rodriguez presented his revisions to the Draft Water Utilities Committee report. Commission discussion ensued. Orange County Utilities Department Director Daniel Allen responded to questions from the Commission. The Commission reviewed revisions as proposed by Ms. Pignone.

Upon motion by Ms. Putnam, seconded by Mr. Goff, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote; Mr. Calvet, Ms. Coats, Mr. Kallinger, and Mr. Knox were absent; the Commission accepted legal counsel's revisions to the Water Utilities Committee Report with the following amendments:

Utilities Fact #3 – Adding the language: “except for those exchanged areas determined by the Joint Utility Agreement between the two entities.”

Utilities Fact #9 – Third sentence to read: “However, because of differences in the treatment processes and the equipment used by each entity, there is less opportunity for cooperation in this area.”

Utilities Fact #17 – Third sentence of second bullet to read: “In other words, treat the production, distribution, disposal and reuse of water as a whole rather than apportioning responsibility to different agencies, governments, or departments of governments without coordinating with each other.”

Utilities Fact #18 – Second sentence of second bullet to read “This expansion has allowed for the movement of water resources within the system by connecting water supply and disposal systems which has reduced the inefficient use of potable water.”

Utilities Conclusion #1 - Second sentence to read as follows: "The water resource consists of potable water, wastewater, reclaimed water and stormwater, and should be addressed as one resource."

Utilities Conclusion #2 to read as follows: "A single entity for managing water resources could: ignore political boundaries; maximize the efficient use of combined facilities; combine workforces; repair and upgrade facility and distribution lines in a timelier manner; provide greater economic leverage when entering into vendor contracts; allow for more efficient utility planning; strengthen bond ratings; save money on redundant consultant contracts; improve efficiency in obtaining Consumptive Use Permits from the water management districts and improve revenues to the participating governments."

Utilities Recommendation #4 – To read as follows: "That leadership of various water utility divisions should establish a more formal mechanism to regularly meet to discuss water resource issues and opportunities for collaboration, and that Orange County and the City of Orlando and Orlando Utilities Commission establish a Coordinating Committee to periodically look towards compatibility of equipment and material. Orange County, the City of Orlando and Orlando Utilities Commission may be able to purchase water services equipment so that equipment interchange would be possible. The compatibility would provide backup and redundancy in the event of a natural disaster.

REVIEW OF LEGAL COUNSEL'S REVISIONS OF DRAFT FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Rodriguez presented his revisions to the Draft Fire and Emergency Services Committee Report. The Commission reviewed revisions as proposed by Ms. Pignone. Commission discussion ensued. Orange County Director of Government Relations Linda Akins and Orlando Fire Department Deputy Chief Kathy Miller responded to questions from the Commission.

Upon a motion by Mr. Goff, seconded by Ms. Putnam, and carried with Mr. Ammerman, Ms. Fennell, Chairman Gabrielson, Mr. Goff, Mr. Kelly, and Ms. Putnam voting AYE by voice vote; Ms. Pignone voting NO by voice vote; Mr. Calvet, Ms. Coats, Mr. Kallinger, and Mr. Knox were absent; the Commission accepted legal counsel's revisions to the Fire and Emergency Services Committee Report with the following amendments:

Fire/Emergency Fact #4 – by adding the following to the second sentence: "Belle Isle, Edgewood, Oakland, Eatonville, and Windermere."

Fire/Emergency Fact #8 – By adding the following language: "or utilize Voice Over Internet Protocol systems."

Fire/Emergency Fact #10 – First sentence to read: “An Orange County 911 Coordinator collects updated information from all jurisdictions and provides all ten 911 communications centers within Orange County with weekly updates about new street addresses, new subdivisions and other relevant changes to maps.”

Fire/Emergency Fact #11 – Sentences six and seven to read: “Evidence was presented to the Committee by the City of Orlando that redundancy in regard to the County Communications Center and the Orlando Operations Center is a good policy, given the likelihood of hurricanes and other natural or man-made disasters. The County Fire Department indicated there was no impediment to consolidation of the two 911 Centers.”

REVIEW OF LEGAL COUNSEL’S REVISIONS TO DRAFT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Rodriquez presented his revisions to the Draft Transportation Committee Report. The Commission reviewed revisions as proposed by Ms. Pignone. Commission discussion ensued. City of Orlando Planning Director Dean Grandin responded to questions from the Commission.

Upon a motion by Mr. Ammerman, seconded by Mr. Kelly, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote; Mr. Calvet, Ms. Coats, Mr. Kallinger, and Mr. Knox were absent; the Commission accepted legal counsel’s revisions to the Transportation Committee Report plus six recommendations from the original draft committee report which were inadvertently deleted and with the following amendments:

Transportation Fact #3 – Add the following language to the third bullet: “The continuing urbanization of the County and the rural annexations of the City are beginning to mitigate these differences.”

Transportation Fact #3 – The fifth bullet to read: “ Orange County’s funding sources are primarily from gas taxes and the Transportation Impact Fee levied on all new development with a relatively small amount of grant monies received. The Impact fee, in particular, accounts for a substantial and increasing amount of the proportionate funding committed to the County’s projects. See, Appendix C – Orange County’s Impact Fee Information.”

Transportation Fact #3 – The sixth bullet to read: “The City receives a proportional share of the gas tax levied by Orange County. The City Transportation Impact Fee is substantially less than the County’s. It is not updated on the same timetable. See, Appendix D – City of Orlando Transportation Impact Fee.

Transportation Fact #3 – The first sentence of the seventh bullet to read: “In essence, the types and numbers of projects, and the sources and amounts of funding dedicated to the various capital improvement programs are different in each jurisdiction.”

Transportation Fact #5 – First sentence to read: “The Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) was established by FDOT as part of the major Growth Management legislation enacted during the 2005 Legislative Session (see, *Chapter 2005-290, Laws of Florida*) to provide incentives to local governments to help pay for critically needed projects that benefit regional travel and commerce with a preference for projects that cross jurisdictional boundaries.”

Transportation Fact #7 – First sentence to read: “The City of Orlando and Orange County maintain state functionally classified roads within their jurisdictions according to FDOT assignments.”

REVIEW OF LEGAL COUNSEL’S REVISIONS OF DRAFT PURCHASING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Rodriguez presented his revisions to the Draft Purchasing Committee Report. Commission discussion ensued.

Upon a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Ammerman, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote; Mr. Calvet, Ms. Coats, Mr. Kallinger, and Mr. Knox were absent; the Commission accepted legal counsel’s revisions to the Purchasing Committee Report with the following amendment:

Purchase Fact #3 – The third sentence to read: “The purchases covered by these contracts range from the delivery of bottled water to the repair of major highways.”

REVIEW OF LEGAL COUNSEL’S REVISIONS OF DRAFT PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Rodriguez presented his revisions to the Draft Planning Committee Report. Commission discussion ensued.

Upon a motion by Mr. Goff, seconded by Mr. Ammerman, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote; Mr. Calvet, Ms. Coats, Mr. Kallinger, and Mr. Knox were absent; the Commission accepted Legal Counsel’s revisions to the Planning Committee Report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Mr. O’Neil presented a report on his activities since the last CSSC meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Gabrielson announced that the Commission meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, 2006 would be cancelled. The last meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 2, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. at City Hall.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon a motion by Ms. Fennell, seconded by Mr. Ammerman, and carried with all present members voting AYE by voice vote; Mr. Calvet, Ms. Coats, Mr. Kallinger and Mr. Knox were absent; the Commission adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Scott Gabrielson, Chairman
Orange County/City of Orlando Consolidation of Services Study Commission