

MEETING OPENED

The Board of County Commissioners met in Commission Chambers on the First Floor, Orange County Administration Center, on Tuesday, July 28, 1998. The following were present:

- County Chairman Linda Chapin
- Commissioners Bob Freeman, Tom Staley, Mary Johnson, Clarence Hoenstine, Ted Edwards, and Mable Butler
- County Administrator Jean Bennett
- County Attorney Tom Wilkes
- Chief Deputy Comptroller as Clerk Jim Moye
- Deputy Clerk Rosilyn Stapleton

There being a quorum, the County Chairman called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

For the record, County Chairman Chapin announced a closed session as follows:

"The Board of County Commissioners will now move to the side conference room and commence an attorney-client session which will last for approximately 15 minutes. The only topic to be discussed in the session will be the two court cases commonly referred to as the "courthouse construction" cases, and formally known as: Huber Design & Construction, Inc., vs. Orange County and Huber/TDS/P&D/MDI, vs. Orange County.

"Those attending the meeting include the following:

Board members Linda Chapin, Bob Freeman, Tom Staley, Mary I. Johnson, Clarence Hoenstine, Ted Edwards, Mable Butler, County Administrator Jean Bennett, attorneys Tom Wilkes, Joe Passiatore, Alan Lawson, Deputy Clerk Rosilyn M. Stapleton, Senior Minutes Coordinator for the Clerk's Office Arlene Arbiter, and a court reporter.

"No other persons will be allowed to attend the session.

"However, for the benefit of our audience both here and on Orange TV, let me add that the entire session will be recorded verbatim by a certified court reporter. No portion of the session will be off the record. The court reporter's notes will be fully

transcribed, and upon the conclusion of the litigation the transcript will be made part of the public record, fully available for public inspection."

After the closed session, County Chairman Chapin announced termination of the attorney-client session and opened the meeting to the public.

COUNTY CONSENT AGENDA

Action

Upon a motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Hoenstine, and carried with all members present and voting AYE by voice vote, the Board:

- deferred Administrative Support Division Item 1 for discussion (see page 391 for subsequent approval);
- corrected Fiscal and Human Resources Division Item 8, policy language, to add the words, "limited to," after "...unused annual/personal leave will be...";
- deleted Utilities Division Item 2;

and further, approved the balance of the County Consent Agenda items as follows, including Planning and Community Services Division Addendum 1:

County Comptroller

1. Approval to pay Clerk of the Courts' invoices in the total amount of \$353,661.63 for services rendered during the month of June 1998 (Administrative/Fiscal Division).
2. Acknowledgment and filing of the follow-up audit of the Special Review of Employees' Gasoline Usage - Animal Services Department (Administrative/Fiscal Division).
3. Acknowledgment and filing of the audit of the Children and Family Services Board of Great Oaks Village (Administrative/ Fiscal Division).
4. Acknowledgment and filing of the follow-up review of the Orange County Medical Examiner's Office Expenditure Fund (Administrative/Fiscal Division).

5. Approval of the Disposition of Tangible Personal Property:

- a. Dispose of an asset through trade-in for an allowance toward the purchase of new equipment.
- b. Donate equipment valued at approximately \$1 to Birth, Education, Training, and Acceptance (BETA) in lieu of selling at fair market value.
- c. Remove and dispose of two fuel tanks at Amory Court.

(Property Accounting Department)

6. Approval of the minutes of the July 14, 1998, meeting of the Board of County Commissioners (Comptroller Clerk's Office).

7. Authorize the disbursement of warrants, vouchers, and wire transfers, having been certified that same had not been drawn on overexpended accounts, as follows:

- Period from July 9, 1998, to July 15, 1998; total of \$6,813,459.10.
- Period from July 16, 1998, to July 22, 1998; total of \$15,628,046.61.

(Finance and Accounting Department)

County Sheriff

1. Approval of the contract award of \$326,065 from the State of Florida Department of Juvenile Justice for the "Project Impact" program which will provide 137 male/female youths (ages 8-18) with nonsecure custody, care, treatment, and supervision, 24 hours per day, seven days a week (Grants Department).

(Contract/Agreement is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

2. Approval of Amendment 1 to Contract #G7035 (Intensive Community Protection Program) between the State of Florida Department of Juvenile Justice and the Orange County Sheriff's Office which (a) increases the number of youths served; (b)

provides surveillance precedence, intensive community control, re-entry/aftercare, and special intensive group; (c) increases the payments to the provider; (d) increases the contract amount, and (e) extends the contract to November 30, 1998, to allow evaluation of the program for continued funding (Grants Department).

(Amendment to agreement/contract is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

Administrative Support Division

1. Approval and execution by County Chairman to show acceptance of sovereign submerged lands easement and authorization to record instrument in connection with the Eastern Water and Wastewater Transmission System contract: Eastern Water and Wastewater Transmission System Contract 4, District 4 (Real Estate Management Department).

(As stated in the above motion, this item was deferred for discussion; see page 391 for subsequent approval.)

2. Approval and execution by County Chairman of notice of reservation and authorization to record instrument in connection with the reservation of road right-of-way over County-owned land: Curry Ford Road (Eastern Beltway to Alafaya Trail), District 3 (Real Estate Management Department).
3. Approval and execution by County Chairman of a lease agreement with renewal options between the George E. Hamlin Revocable Trust and Orange County, Florida: Pittman Street Warehouse, District 6 (Real Estate Management Department).

(Agreement is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

4. Approval and authorization to record instrument in connection with development: Walt Disney World cast recreation facility. Utility Easement, District 1 (Real Estate Management Department).
5. Approval and authorization to record instruments in connection with development: Vineland Avenue Extension, Deeds and

Special Warranty Deeds, District 1 (Real Estate Management Department).

6. Confirmation of the appointment of County Chairman Linda W. Chapin to the 1998 Value Adjustment Board to replace Commissioner Tom Staley (Agenda Development/General Services Department).

Convention Center

1. Confirmation of the County Chairman's appointment of Kathleen P. Canning as Marketing Manager (Division Office).

Division of Information Technologies

1. Approval of an amendment to the franchise agreement between Constel Communications and Orange County extending the expiration date of the agreement from August 10, 1998, until March 10, 1999 (Network and Systems Department).

(Amendment to agreement is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

Fire Rescue Division

1. Approval of Modification No. 1 to Local Mitigation Strategy Contract No. 98-LM-4H-06-58-011-048 between Orange County and the State of Florida Department of Community Affairs extending the first contract period deliverable date from June 30, 1998, to October 31, 1998. The modification is necessary due to the delay in execution of the original contract (Office of Emergency Management).

(Modification to agreement is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

Fiscal and Human Resources Division

1. Approval to award Invitation for Bid Y8-754-PW to the low responsive and responsible bidder, HM2 Constructors & Fabricators, for Lake Jessamine Drive and Chipola Circle sidewalk and stormwater drainage improvements. The total cost is \$141,637 ([Highway Construction Department] Purchasing and Contracts Department).

2. Approval to award Invitation for Bid Y8-770-PW to the low responsive and responsible bidder, Chestnut Fence & Asphalt Paving Company, for Sunrise Boulevard (Susannah Boulevard to Truman Road) paving and drainage improvements. The total cost is \$209,244 ([Highway Construction Department] Purchasing and Contracts Department).
3. Approval to award Invitation for Bid Y8-785-CT to the low responsive and responsible bidder, Schuller Contractors, Inc., for Moss Park water main extension. The total cost is \$384,238 ([Utilities Engineering] Purchasing and Contracts Department).
4. Approval to award Invitation for Bid Y8-750-BI to the low responsive and responsible bidder, Southland Construction, Inc., for Little Econ Greenway Trail project. The total cost is \$1,269,864.23 ([Parks and Recreation Department] Purchasing and Contracts Department).
5. Approval to award a sole-source purchase with Prime Equipment Sales/Rentals for a ReachMaster aerial lift work platform for the Convention Center. The total cost is \$149,466 ([Convention Center] Purchasing and Contracts Department).
6. Ratification of an emergency purchase with Occidental Chemical Corporation for 45 percent liquid caustic potash. The total cost is \$122,156.70 ([Utilities Water Department] Purchasing and Contracts Department).
7. Approval of amendment to the interlocal agreement for a Group Health Benefits Purchasing Consortium to provide for the Sheriff of Orange County to fill an additional seat on the governing board, and authorization for Human Resources Department to offer the County's remaining seat on the consortium to a representative from one of the constitutional offices on a rotating two-year basis (Human Resources Department).
8. Approval of a revision to the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) policy which allows participants to accrue and use up to the regular maximum accrual rate of annual/personal leave (Human Resources Department).

(As stated in the above motion, the language in the policy was

revised to add, "limited to," after the words "...unused annual/personal leave will be...)

9. Approval of Budget Amendments 98-42, 98-72, 98-73, 98-74, 98-75, and 98-76 (Office of Management and Budget).

(Budget Amendments 98-42 and 98-72 through 98-76 are on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

10. Approval of Budget Transfers 98-527, 98-528, and 98-530 (Office of Management and Budget).

(Budget Transfers 98-527, 98-528, and 98-530 are on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

11. Approval of CIP Amendments 44-98, 45-98, and 46-98 (Office of Management and Budget).

(CIP Amendments 44-98 through 46-98 are on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

12. Approval of payment of intergovernmental claims for July 2, 1998, and July 9, 1998, totaling \$155,184.69 (Risk Management Department).

13. Receipt and filing of the minutes of the June 25, 1998, and July 2, 1998, meetings of the Intergovernmental Risk Management Committee, for the official County record (Risk Management Department).

Health and Family Services Division

1. Approval and execution of a renewal Nonemergency Medical Transportation License for Lake Special Transport, Inc., aka Florida Hospital Waterman Special Transport. Term of the license is July 31, 1998, through July 31, 2000. There is no cost to the County, all districts (Emergency Medical Services Department).
2. Approval and execution of a renewal Nonemergency Transportation License for West Orange Tax District/Health

Central Park. Term of the license is July 31, 1998, through July 31, 2000. There is no cost to the County, Districts 1 and 2 (Emergency Medical Services Department).

3. Approval and execution to renew the Public Convenience and Necessity Certificate for Winter Park Fire Department to provide advanced life support transport. Term of the certificate is July 31, 1998, through July 31, 2000. There is no cost to the County, Districts 2 and 5 (Emergency Medical Services Department).
4. Approval and execution to renew the Public Convenience and Necessity Certificate for Orange County Fire/Rescue Division to provide advanced life support transport. Term of the certificate is July 31, 1998, through July 31, 2000. There is no cost to the County, all districts (Emergency Medical Services Department.)

Planning and Community Services Division

1. Approval and execution of Alternative Road Impact Fee Agreement between Dorscher Plaza, Inc. (for Showbiz Pizza), and Orange County, District 1 (Building Department).

(Agreement is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

2. Approval and execution of Alternative Road Impact Fee Agreement between Palm Casual Furniture Products, Inc. (for Palm Casual Furniture), and Orange County, District 6 (Building Department).

(Agreement is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

3. Approval and execution of Alternative Road Impact Fee Agreement between Shiner's One Stop Incorporated (for Shiner's One Stop) and Orange County, District 1 (Building Department).

(Agreement is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

4. Approval and execution of the One-Year Action Plan for Housing and Community Development Programs for fiscal year 1998-99 and

subsequent grant agreement and reporting documents, (Department of Housing and Community Development).

(Agreement is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

5. Receipt and filing of the minutes of the Lake Jessamine Water Advisory Board meetings of March 19, 1998, and March 31, 1998, for the official County record, District 4 (Environmental Protection Department).
6. Receipt and filing of the minutes of the Windermere Water and Navigation Control District Advisory Board meeting of April 24, 1998, for the official County record, District 1 (Environmental Protection Department).
7. Receipt and filing of the minutes of the Lake Conway Water and Navigation Control District Advisory Board meeting of May 12, 1998, for the official County record, District 4 (Environmental Protection Department).
8. Approval and execution of an interlocal agreement between Orange County and the Falcon Trace Community Development District regarding the exercise of powers and cooperation on various projects, District 4 (Planning Department).

(Agreement is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

9. Approval to advertise Resolutions to Lien property cleaned by Orange County, pursuant to Orange County Code, Chapter 28, Nuisances, Article II, Lot Cleaning. Resolutions to Lien: LC 98-108; LC 98-090; LC 98-092; LC 98-109; LC 98-118; LC 98-119; LC 98-121; LC 98-122; LC 98-094; LC 98-101; LC 98-123; LC 98-113; LC 98-114; LC 98-117; LC 98-126; LC 98-095; LC 98-096; LC 98-097; LC 98-099; LC 98-100; LC 98-102; LC 98-103; LC 98-104; LC 98-111; LC 98-112; LC 98-120, all districts (Zoning Department).

(Resolutions 98-ZON-042 through 98-ZON-067 are on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

Public Works Division

1. Approval to change the existing "Yield" signs to "Stop" signs on Raehn Street at its intersection with Cloverlawn Avenue, District 4 (Traffic Engineering Department).
2. Approval to issue Change Order 4-PW to Contract No. Y6-731 with Perri Builders, Inc., for Old Winter Garden Road, Phase 1 (Ivey Lane to Ferguson Drive) in the amount of \$71,301.81. Total cost is \$3,210,434.40, District 6 (Highway Construction Department).

Utilities Division

1. Confirmation of the County Chairman's appointment of Commissioner Freeman to the Conserv II Project Management Committee (Division Office).
2. Approval of the designation of Elaine A. Barbour as Hearing Officer for the Mandatory Refuse Collection Program and Recycling Assessment, and Stephen C. Chong as the alternate, all districts (Division Office).

(As stated in the above motion, this item was deleted.)

3. Approval of Change Order No. 1 to Contract Y6-740-CT, with Speegle Construction, Inc., for Tangelo Park Subdivision wastewater collection system improvements in the amount of \$275,219.79. Total cost is \$4,328,727.79, District 6 (Division Office).

JULY 16, 1998, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS**Action**

Upon a motion by Commissioner Freeman, seconded by Commissioner Butler, and carried with all members present and voting AYE by voice vote, the Board accepted the recommendations of the Orange County Planning and Zoning Commission under date of July 16, 1998, with the exception of Cases Z-98-066, Z-98-067, and Z-98-073; subject to the usual right of appeal by any aggrieved parties; and further authorized scheduling the following public hearings:

- Case Z-98-066 in the name of Ed Zeidweg; Lake Lucy, on September 1, 1998;

- Case Z-98-067 in the name of United Cerebral Palsy of Central Florida; Holloway Center, on August 25, 1998;
- Case Z-98-073, in the name James R. Hall; Ruby Lake Ranch, on August 25, 1998.

For the record, appeals of the recommendations of the Orange County Planning and Zoning Commission under day of July 16, 1998, were filed in the Zoning Department and scheduled by the Comptroller Clerk's Office for public hearing, as follows:

- None filed.

WORKSESSION - BUDGET REVIEW

Introduction and Presentation of the Recommended Budget

County Chairman's Report

County Chairman Chapin stated that this worksession is being held to inform the Board of major issues concerning the preparation of the budget. She stated that this budget is smaller than past budgets because the Board is being asked only to approve adjustments to fiscal year 1998-99 spending levels as set forth last year.

County Chairman Chapin pointed out that the countywide tax rolls have increased by 7.9 percent; however, this year's budget does not include any increase in the countywide millage rate of 5.2889 which has remained constant for the tenth consecutive year.

County Chairman Chapin noted expenditure adjustments for additional programs. She stated that public budget hearings will be held on September 10, 1998, and September 24, 1998, and that additional issues will be discussed at the August 11, 1998, Board meeting.

County Chairman Chapin noted that through neighborhood meetings and various citizens groups, the public has become better informed as to the issues facing the County. She thanked Commissioners Staley and Butler, who will be leaving office this year, for their help in working on this budget as well as past budgets.

(THE FOLLOWING BUDGET ISSUES WERE PRESENTED AND ACTION WAS TAKEN AT THE END OF THE MEETING.)

OUTSIDE AGENCIES' BUDGET REQUESTS

Victim Service Center

Commissioner Johnson presented a proposal for a Victim Service Center (VSC) to provide a one-stop center to meet the needs of victims who reside in or were victimized in Orange County. She stated that the Center will provide social and mental health services for victims of crime before, during, and after criminal justice proceedings.

Commissioner Johnson noted that the Central Florida Victim Service Coalition, the State Attorney's Office, the offices of the Police Chief, Sheriff, and Attorney General have all pledged support.

Commissioner Johnson stated that in 1997 a task force was formed to address the need for this Center. Task force chairman Sally Graham addressed the Board and presented the history and findings of the task force and reviewed statistics regarding violent crimes. Ms. Graham requested \$400,000 for startup costs for early October occupancy.

Gail Breitenfeld, victim service coordinator, addressed the Board and presented a program plan for the VSC. She noted that a minimum of six staff positions and 1,800 square feet of space are needed for the center to begin operation.

The following persons addressed the Board in support of the Victim Service Center:

- Sal LoMonico, representing the Orlando Police Governor's Task Force;
- Bill Vose, Chief Assistant State Attorney;
- Rodney Doss, a representative from the office of Attorney General Robert Butterworth, who pledged \$150,000 toward the personal services and expenses portion of the budget in order to make the center a reality.

Discussion

The Board discussed services for victims of unreported crimes, various types of crimes, possible duplication of County services, funding from other local municipalities, referral services, and security at the center.

Policy Issues - Fire Rescue

Charles Jennings of TriData Corporation, a Virginia public safety organization, addressed the Board and presented an overview of its findings and assessment of the Fire and Rescue Division. The report outlined response time, decrease in staffing levels with an increase in service requests, and a Staffing Enhancement Plan (SEP) which requests additional apparatus and personnel.

Mr. Jennings concluded his presentation by noting the progress made since 1992; and that the SEP will address shortcomings in fire and rescue services caused by increased development, population growth, demand for service, and previous reductions.

Staff Report

Fire Rescue Division Director Mike Iacona presented the Fire and Rescue Division budget and pointed out significant events since July 1997. Mr. Iacona requested 17 additional personnel for fiscal year 1998-99 and additional funds for capital programs. He reviewed the SEP showing additional personnel; outlined additional service requirements in the Ocoee area, locations for new fire stations, recommendations for additional personnel needs currently not budgeted, and a five-year budget projection showing additional increases. Mr. Iacona requested Board approval of the recommended budget with all additional requirements.

Discussion

The Board requested additional time to review budget requests, information regarding a proposed helicopter, the possibility of common designs for future fire stations, and impact fees.

County Chairman Chapin requested additional time for the Board to discuss the proposed requests for the Fire and Rescue Division at the August 11, 1998, Board meeting.

United Way Kick-Off

Orange County United Way co-chairman John Terwilliger stated that

today is the kick-off for the 1998 United Way Campaign and acknowledged the United Way volunteers.

Brian Quail, president of the Heart of Florida United Way, thanked Orange County for its participation in supporting the United Way.

County Chairman Chapin adjourned the morning session.

MEETING RECONVENED

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened in Commission Chambers on the First Floor, Orange County Administration Center. The following were present:

- County Chairman Linda Chapin
- Commissioners Tom Staley, Mary Johnson, Clarence Hoenstine, Ted Edwards, and Mable Butler
- County Administrator Jean Bennett
- County Attorney Tom Wilkes
- Chief Deputy Comptroller as Clerk Jim Moye
- Deputy Clerk Rosilyn Stapleton

Commissioner Bob Freeman joined the meeting where indicated.

OUTSIDE AGENCIES' BUDGET REQUESTS

YMCA

Dr. John Meisenheimer addressed the Board and presented a video on the history and progress of the YMCA Aquatic and Family Center. He discussed the economic impact of the Center and its future prospects. Dr. Meisenheimer requested additional funding of \$200,000 for capital improvements to the Center.

Discussion

The Board discussed the frequency of funding for capital improvements, whether this facility qualifies for Tourist Development Tax funds, and additional fundraising.

Commissioner Freeman joined the meeting.

East Central Florida Regional Planning Council

Greg Golgowski, interim director of the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC), addressed the Board and

reviewed several ways the Council can serve the community more effectively. Mr. Golgowski requested Orange County's support for the coming year and presented a timeline for adopting restructuring to focus membership on the counties.

Discussion

The Board discussed payment of back dues but not committing to future dues until restructuring is accomplished, the funding formula, and working with other counties to address their individual needs.

Brevard County Commissioner Helen Voltz stated that Brevard County had decided not to participate in the ECFRPC, but is supportive of Orange County.

and

PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION DISCUSSION AGENDA - ADDENDUM 1

1. Approval of payment of \$178,838 to the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC) for full payment of their 1997-98 assessment; and approval of Budget Transfer 98-545, all districts.

Action

Upon a motion by Commissioner Hoenstine, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, and carried with County Chairman Chapin and Commissioners Freeman, Johnson, Hoenstine, and Edwards voting AYE by voice vote; Commissioners Staley and Butler voting NO by voice vote; the Board approved payment of \$178,838 to the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC) for full payment of its 1997-98 assessment; and further, approved Budget Transfer 98-545, subject to the following conditions:

- dropping the membership dues assessment lawsuit;
- reducing the outstanding 1997-98 dues assessment by \$23,327 by deleting the Metropolitan Planning Organization's Special Assessment;
- committing to a restructuring of the Council's Board membership to increase the proportional representation of counties on the ECFRPC Board.

Orlando Museum of Art

Bob Hendry, vice-president of the Orlando Museum of Art's Board of Trustees, addressed the Board and presented a video showing the renovation and expansion of the 21st Century World-Class Exhibition Program.

Rick Walsh, senior vice-president of Darden Restaurants, addressed the Board and noted his company's financial contribution to the Imperial Tombs of China exhibit at the museum.

Marena Grant Morrisey, executive director of the Orlando Museum of Art, presented a video showing upcoming exhibits at the museum. Ms. Morrisey noted that the museum has raised 92 percent of its goal and is requesting the County fund the balance of \$1.5 million over a three-year period. She stated that the museum would dedicate the Exhibitions and Collections Management Wing and the 21st Century World-Class Exhibition Program in honor of Orange County.

Discussion

The Board expressed its support of the Orlando Museum of Art.

Policy Issue - Corrections Division - Medical Update**Staff Report**

Corrections Division Administration Director Larry Bacon presented five health care options and outlined the advantages and disadvantages of each.

Mr. Bacon requested the Board consider the following issues:

- contract costs are estimates;
- current funding cannot support the needed level of services;
- a community-based mental health solution is needed.

County Chairman Chapin stated that following discussion of this issue at a Board meeting several weeks ago, it was her understanding that the Corrections Division would report to the Board with a short-term solution to privatization.

County Administrator Jean Bennett responded that it would require

45 to 60 days for the Corrections staff to perform a privatization study. Ms. Bennett noted that the five different options are for Board evaluation of privatization. She suggested the possibility of joining mental health and medical services, as it may be advantageous to consider them together.

County Chairman Chapin clarified for the viewing audience that the term privatization applies only to the medical unit, not the entire Corrections Division system.

Discussion

The Board discussed the possibility of the Sheriff's Office running the jail, considering privatization at a later date, and examining all the proposed strategies regarding costs.

The Board directed staff to report back in 45 to days with a statewide and nationwide survey of existing privatization programs, risks, and costs, and its possible effects on Orange County.

Policy Issue - Sheriff's Office - Grant Proposal

Sheriff Kevin Beary outlined the Universal Hiring Grant Application and requested Board approval to proceed with the preliminary application process. He reviewed the need for additional staff due to the County's growing population. Sheriff Beary noted his department's increased calls, Orange County's booking arrest report, and Florida's ten largest policing jurisdictions' costs per capita.

Discussion

The Board discussed the need for and the hiring of more deputies and the timeline for submittal and approval of the Grant Application.

Policy Issue - Sheriff's Office - Code Enforcement Proposal

Sheriff Kevin Beary reviewed a proposed pilot program which would provide for code enforcement officers to be stationed at certain Sheriff's Office substations in communities with a high incidence of crime. He noted that this program would combine the efforts of his department with those of the Zoning Department.

Discussion

The Board discussed the need for and placement of additional

deputies, reducing juvenile crime, and the possible conversion of a Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) for law enforcement.

Victim Notification Program (VINE)

Criminal Justice Coordinator Walter Gallagher addressed the Board regarding the Victim Notification Program (VINE) which is an on-line information system that notifies victims of a defendant's release. Mr. Gallagher noted that Sheriff Beary has committed \$25,000 toward the program's startup costs; the State Attorney has pledged \$17,500, and the Chief Judge has pledged \$8,000. He explained that this program would be automated and ultimately save the County money.

United Way

Jim Dunlap, president of Huntington National Bank, addressed the Board and requested funding for the United Way in the amount of \$250,000. Mr. Dunlap reported that the United Way headquarters will relocate to College Park next year; this will be their first permanent home.

Courthouse Security

Staff Report

General Services Department Manager Sam Anderson requested additional funding for courthouse security for fiscal year 1998-99. Mr. Anderson outlined the expenditures by fiscal year, hours expended for security personnel, and a security cost comparison. He reviewed the need for funding of additional positions.

Discussion

The Board discussed the need for additional positions which were not previously included in the budget.

Center for Juveniles

Staff Report

Assistant to the Health and Family Services Division Director Tom Weinberg requested approval of a \$225,000 appropriation for the Consequence Program to support "Project Impact." Mr. Weinberg outlined the realities of youth and firearm violence, local statistics for January 1994-September 1997, juvenile criminal history of victims of firearm violence, and projected population from 1995 to 2005. He outlined new initiatives which include a

Consequence Program, Secure School, "Project Impact," and boot camp expansion.

After School Program

County Chairman Chapin stated that there was no presentation regarding the "After School Program" because she wishes the Board to determine which schools should be included in this program.

County Chairman Chapin further noted that the VINE program and the Consequence Program should have been included on the list of additional requests for Board consideration; however, the funding for these programs has been included in the budget.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Edwards requested that the millage rate be decreased since the County has experienced substantial growth. He suggested that the maximum millage rate be set at 5.1934 percent based on 6 percent growth in property value.

Discussion

County Chairman Chapin responded that if the millage rate is set lower than the proposed millage rate, it could not fund programs which were presented today; and further, it would only save approximately \$9.55 for an average household assessed at \$125,000.

The Board discussed rolling back taxes, future problems a tax rollback would cause, earmarking funds for public works and drainage projects, and the possibility of funding the Orlando Museum of Art from the tourist development tax.

Action

A motion by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Freeman, with Commissioners Edwards, Freeman, and Hoenstine voting AYE by voice vote; County Chairman Chapin and Commissioners Staley, Johnson, and Butler voting NO by voice vote; to adopt a millage rate of 5.1934 for fiscal year 1998-99 failed.

In response to a question from County Chairman Chapin regarding which programs to delete from the proposed list, the Board discussed the possibility of funding the Orlando Museum of Art and the YMCA from alternative sources.

Action

Upon a motion by County Chairman Chapin, seconded by Commissioner

Johnson, and carried with all members present and voting AYE by voice vote, the Board approved funding for all programs with the possibility of seeking alternative funding for appropriate programs from the resort tax.

Legal Counsel

In response to questions from the Board, County Attorney Tom Wilkes advised that before any programs are funded from the resort tax, they would have to be reviewed by the Tourist Development Council. Mr. Wilkes further stated that the County ordinance would have to be amended and approved by five members of the Board of County Commissioners.

Action

Upon a motion by County Chairman Chapin, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, and carried with County Chairman Chapin and Commissioners Freeman, Staley, Johnson, Hoenstine, and Butler voting AYE by voice vote; Commissioner Edwards voting NO by voice vote; the Board adopted the tentative fiscal year 1998-99 millage rates.

(Tentative fiscal year 1998-99 millage rates are on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

Action

Upon a motion by County Chairman Chapin, seconded by Commissioner Butler, and carried with County Chairman Chapin and Commissioners Freeman, Staley, Johnson, Hoenstine, and Butler voting AYE by voice vote; Commissioner Edwards voting NO by voice vote; the Board adopted the tentative fiscal year 1998-99 budget.

(Tentative fiscal year 1998-99 budget is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

Action

Upon a motion by County Chairman Chapin, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, and carried with all members present and voting AYE by voice vote, the Board adopted the tentative fiscal year 1998-99 Capital Improvements Plan.

(Tentative fiscal year 1998-99 Capital Improvements Plan is on file in the office of the Comptroller Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.)

COUNTY CONSENT AGENDA ITEM - DEFERRED FOR DISCUSSION

Administrative Support Division

1. Approval and execution by County Chairman to show acceptance of sovereign submerged lands easement and authorization to record instrument in connection with the Eastern Water and Wastewater Transmission System contract: Eastern Water and Wastewater Transmission System Contract 4, District 4 (Real Estate Management Department).

Action

Upon a motion by County Chairman Chapin, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, and carried with County Chairman Chapin and Commissioners Freeman, Staley, Hoenstine, Edwards, and Butler voting AYE by voice vote; Commissioner Johnson voting NO by voice vote; the Board approved execution by the County Chairman of the sovereign submerged lands easement for the crossing of the Econ River with water and wastewater pipelines and authorization to record the instrument; and further, the construction of these pipelines will commence only after specific approval by the Board at a public hearing authorizing the crossing of the Econ River.

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, the County Chairman adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

THIS PAGE INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK