



CITY OF WINTER GARDEN

CITY COMMISSION EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

February 25, 2021

An **EXECUTIVE ATTORNEY/CLIENT SESSION** was called to order by Mayor Rees at 6:06 p.m. at City Hall, Commission Chambers at 300 West Plant Street, Winter Garden, Florida. Those present included:

Present: Mayor John Rees and Commissioners

Lisa L. Bennett – District 1

Bob Buchanan – District 2

Mark A. Maciel – District 3

Colin Sharman – District 4

Also Present: City Attorney A. Kurt Ardaman, City Litigation Counsel Jeffry Jontz, Esq., City Manager Michael Bollhoefer, City Clerk Angela Grimmage, and Court Reporter Martha Braun

1. Call to Order - A quorum was determined.
2. Business: City Attorney Ardaman requested advice from the City Commission concerning settlement negotiations and strategy related to litigation expenditures.

The special public meeting was **recessed** at 6:08 p.m. and it was noted that the open of the closed Executive Attorney-Client session would commence immediately thereafter.

3. Mayor Rees **reconvened** the public meeting for termination of the Executive Attorney-Client session at 6:30 p.m.
4. A regular City Commission Meeting (public meeting) was called to order by Mayor Rees at 6:32 p.m. An opening invocation and pledge of allegiance were given.
5. Discussion and potential action on matters relating to the above case were discussed. City Manager Bollhoefer gave a brief summary of working with the homeowner's association (HOA) regarding the Stoneybrook West Golf Course. He noted the property had gone through bankruptcy. It is the intent of the City to purchase the golf course for up to an amount of \$2 million and then sell it to the HOA. He shared that the HOA would meet and vote on March 9, 2021 and this offer would be contingent upon a "yes" vote from that meeting. Staff recommends approval of the City Commission making a motion to make a \$ 2 million dollar offer to purchase or for bidding up to \$2 million at auction.

Mayor Rees opened the public hearing; reading a dedicated phone number and instructions for the public's participation in this meeting. After waiting and receiving no public calls or comments, he closed the public hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Sharman to approve authorizing City Manager Bollhoefer to make a \$2 million dollar offer to purchase the Stoneybrook West Golf Course or bid up to \$2 million dollars at auction. Seconded by Commissioner Bennett and carried unanimously 5-0.

The **Executive Session** adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

APPROVED:

/S/

Mayor John Rees

ATTEST:

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City Clerk Angee Grimmage, CMC