

**APPROVED**  
**PROPERTY AND RIGHT-OF-WAY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**CITY HALL, 8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR**  
**COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2008 – 10:00 AM**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Peter Partington, City Engineer  
Mark Darmanin, Public Works  
Tom Terrell, Public Works Facilities Manager  
Tony Irvine, Surveyor  
Mike Maloney, Code Enforcement  
Anthony Fajardo, Planner III  
Carol Ingold, Parks & Recreation Supervisor

**STAFF**

Victor Volpi, Senior Real Estate Officer  
Hilda Testa, Recording Clerk, Prototype, Inc.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Partington called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., and stated this was a Committee with the responsibility of advising the City Manager and City Commission on matters connected with City property and public rights-of-way.

Following roll call, it was determined that a quorum was present.

**ITEM ONE:**                    **APPROVAL OF AUGUST 21, 2008 MINUTES**  
**APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2008 MINUTES**

**Motion** made by Mr. Darmanin, seconded by Mr. Terrell, to approve the August 21, 2008 minutes.

In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**Motion** made by Mr. Darmanin, seconded by Mr. Terrell, to approve the September 25, 2008 minutes.

In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**ITEM TWO:**                    **PROPERTY DEDICATION ALONG NW 6<sup>TH</sup>. STREET AND NW**  
**19<sup>TH</sup>. AVENUE**

Ms. Mina Samadi, City of Fort Lauderdale, explained the four properties along the northeast, northwest 6<sup>th</sup> Street corridor, two properties belonging to the City, and two

properties belonging to CRA. The request was for right-of-way easements, roadway, and sidewalks. Ms. Samadi provided aerial photographs of the area.

Ms. Samadi stated there were status reports provided to the CRA Board, and the vacation request would go to both the CRA Board and the City Commission on October 21, 2008.

Ms. Samadi pointed out the CRA owned portion of the project in Flagler Heights Park, with the park next to 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue belonging to the CRA, and the eastern part being City property. The request was for twenty feet to allow for sidewalk, utilities, and landscaping. Ms. Samadi continued there would be a ten foot sidewalk, with utilities installed behind the sidewalk.

The two properties on the west side, one on NW 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue and NW 6<sup>th</sup> Street, belonging to CRA, required a portion for the construction of sidewalk, utility and bus stop. Ms. Samadi provided an exhibit showing the bus stop, shelters, benches and lighting.

Ms. Samadi described the property on NW 19<sup>th</sup> Ave and 6<sup>th</sup> Street in front of the old trash transfer station requiring a "sliver of property" to be able to install sidewalk, utility, and a bus shelter.

As the portion of the property in Flagler Park owned by the City was purchased in cooperation with the County using Parks bond money, the application required County approval, and would go before the County on November 18, 2008.

Mr. Partington asked if the application would require one action or four actions before the City Commission. Ms. Samadi stated the two City properties would have one resolution, and the two CRA properties would have one motion to convey the property for construction of the road.

Mr. Partington asked for information on the current state of the CRA property at NW 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Ms. Samadi stated the property was a vacant lot on the southeast corner, and would go for RFP for development requests. Mr. Partington asked about the trash transfer station with Lincoln Park to the east. Ms. Samadi explained the piece of property needed was approximately six or seven feet wide for the construction of a bus stop. Ms. Samadi clarified the two properties at the trash transfer station and NW 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue required extra land for the bus stops. The other two properties required an additional twenty feet to build the road, install the utilities, and comply with the traffic plan right-of-way requirements. Mr. Partington asked if there were problems arising from the park land. Ms. Samadi explained the additional strips of needed land was the only pending issue.

Mr. Irvine asked about pavement in the park area. Ms. Samadi stated a portion would be paved with a ten foot sidewalk, a curb, and gutter, but no driving lanes. The landscaping would be coordinated with the current feel of the park. Ms. Samadi explained the local neighbors were originally interested in some parking spaces being added, however the Parks Department was not in agreement, so the parking spaces would not be added. Mr. Irvine noted for the record no work was being performed which was inconsistent with park use.

Mr. Terrell requested additional information regarding utilities being placed at the trash transfer site. Ms. Samadi stated above ground lights would be the only added utility. Mr. Terrell noted numerous utilities located in that area, not necessarily located within the right-of-way. Mr. Irvine noted any utilities added would be subject to engineering permit. Ms. Samadi stated since the project was a City project, no engineering permits would be required. There followed a discussion regarding the need for caution in construction in the area due to the large number of utilities located underground. Mr. Darmanin agreed to have someone locate the present utilities. Ms. Samadi assured the Committee the current and anticipated utilities would be included on the plans before the plans are finalized and approved.

Mr. Darmanin noted two other locations with fire hydrants. Ms. Samadi stated the water lines would be relocated by WaterWorks, and the relocation plan showed specifics on where the lines were being moved. The new utilities on NW 9<sup>th</sup> would be located behind the new six foot sidewalk.

Mr. Darmanin asked about the property at 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Ms. Samadi stated the area would also be relocated in that area, from Federal Highway to 17<sup>th</sup>, and the WaterWork fire hydrants and meter boxes would be relocated. Mr. Darmanin asked the relocation plan be a part of any motion made by the Committee.

Mr. Partington stated there were four parcels of land under the two agenda items. Mr. Irvine stated the Committee could only address the City owned piece and not the CRA owned pieces. Mr. Volpi suggested the Committee make a recommendation to the CRA. Mr. Partington suggested two motions, one for recommendation on the City owned land, and the other a recommendation to the CRA for approval of the other two pieces.

**Motion** made by Mr. Irvine, seconded by Mr. Darmanin, to recommend approval of the requested easements for the City owned property. As a condition of the approval, all existing utilities to be relocated need to be addressed. The utilities at the 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue location shall be confined to only those things necessary to service the bus stop. There followed a discussion on the necessity of the caveat regarding the 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue utilities. Ms. Samadi assured the Committee the current utilities would be shown on the final plan, and the street light would be located somewhere in the area, but not

necessarily in the easement. Ms. Samadi emphasized caution would certainly be used in finalizing the plan to prevent disruption of the current utilities. Ms. Samadi requested and received information on the elevation and location of the properties discussed.

Mr. Partington explained under the current motion no street light would be allowed at the trash transfer station. Ms. Samadi agreed.

In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**Motion** made by Mr. Irvine, seconded by Mr. Darmanin, to recommend approval by the CRA Board to grant the requested easements for the two CRA properties at NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Street, and at NW 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Mr. Darmanin requested the motion be amended to include the utility relocation.

**Motion** amended by Mr. Irvine, seconded by Mr. Darmanin, to recommend approval by the CRA Board to grant the requested easements for the two CRA properties at NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Street, and at NW 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The easements should also include all necessary utility relocations.

In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**ITEM THREE:**                    **PROPERTY DEDICATION FLAGLER HEIGHTS PARK NE 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET AND NE 4<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE**

Previously discussed under Item Two.

There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

[Minutes prepared by K. Bierbaum, Prototype, Inc.]