

COMMISSION AGENDA

ITEM 300

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REQUEST:

The Community Development Department requests that the City Commission review the attached Wayfinding Signage documentation and approve Resolution 2016-12 which indicates the City Commission's support for a Wayfinding Sign System Plan and adopts the criteria to be used for the signs.

SYNOPSIS:

For many years there have been discussions about a wayfinding signage program for the City of Winter Springs. Staff has identified a three-tiered system of signage for the City ranging from tier-one which represents signage along the state roadways in the City to tier - three which includes pedestrian-scale signage in the Town Center and other areas of the City.

The Resolution that is the subject of this request is part of the approval process from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for the tier-one signage locations and design.

CONSIDERATIONS:

Pursuant to direction given by the City Commission, staff has identified a three-tiered wayfinding signage system for the City. As previously explained, tier-one involves the signage to be located along the state roadway system through Winter Springs, therefore, these signs are located primarily along SR 434 and SR 419. In an effort to keep the signs uniform and to address all signage that staff believed should be a part of the tier-one implementation, there are also some signs on Tuskawilla Road and Moss Road. Also, tier-one requires the most rigorous efforts relative to state involvement in the permitting process.

Subsection 14-51.051 (3) Florida Administrative Code (FAC), requires local governments interested in using wayfinding signage along the state highway system to establish destination criteria for such wayfinding signage, and authorizes local governments to use the general signage destination criteria found in 14-51.051, FAC, for this purpose.

Subsection 14-51.051 (7) requires that wayfinding signs be designed, installed and maintained in accordance with the standards referenced in subsections 14-51-014 (7) and (8), FAC.

Subsection 14-51.051 (8), FAC, requires local governments to be responsible for planning, design, installation, and maintenance of all wayfinding signage, including those on the state highway system.

Subsection 14-51.051 (9), FAC, requires local governments to submit their wayfinding signage plans to the FDOT to initiate the FDOT's permitting process.

This agenda item is intended to fulfill the requirements enumerated above as well as those detailed in Subsection 14-51.051 (3), FAC, which states that local governments shall develop and approve through local resolution the criteria for the destinations shown on the community wayfinding guide sign system plan. The intent of this signage is to provide guidance and navigation information to local cultural, historical, recreational, and tourist activities. No destination will be displayed for the purpose of advertising.

The attached guidelines have been reviewed by the FDOT and the next step is to secure local support of these guidelines by resolution from the City Commission.

If Resolution 2016-12 is approved by the City Commission, the Wayfinding Signage System Plans will be sent back to FDOT with the requested changes and will be reviewed a second time. Once FDOT has approved the plans, the City will be in a position to fund and install signage in accordance with the overall guidelines. The individual signs will also be permitted through FDOT.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no immediate fiscal impact directly related to the approval of Resolution 2016-12. The City Commission will be able to approve funding through the budget process for implementation of the signage program. The timing of this funding and implementation is entirely at the discretion of the City Commission.

COMMUNICATION EFFORTS:

This Agenda Item has been electronically forwarded to the Mayor and City Commission, City Manager, City Attorney/Staff, and is available on the City's Website, LaserFiche, and the City's Server. Additionally, portions of this Agenda Item are typed verbatim on the respective Meeting Agenda which has also been electronically forwarded to the individuals noted above, and which is also available on the City's Website, LaserFiche, and the City's Server; has been sent to applicable City Staff, Media/Press Representatives who have requested Agendas/Agenda Item information, Homeowner's Associations/Representatives on file with the City, and all individuals who have requested such information. This information has also been posted outside City Hall, posted inside City Hall with additional copies available for the General Public, and posted at six (6) different locations around the

City. Furthermore, this information is also available to any individual requestors. City Staff is always willing to discuss this Agenda Item or any Agenda Item with any interested individuals.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Community Development Department requests that the City Commission review and approve Resolution 2016-12 adopting the criteria to be used for destination guide signs within the City of Winter Springs.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Resolution 2016-12
- B. Wayfinding Signage System Plans

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING A WAYFINDING SIGN SYSTEM PLAN AND ADOPTING THE CRITERIA TO BE USED FOR DESTINATION GUIDE SIGNS WITHIN THE CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE WAYFINDING SIGN SYSTEM PLAN; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT RESOLUTIONS; SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Winter Springs, Florida supports a wayfinding sign system plan to effectively and safely guide motorists and pedestrians to key civic, cultural, visitor, and recreational destinations within the City of Winter Springs; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission also supports a preliminary location map for wayfinding signs along State Road 434 and State Road 419, in which site plans showing specific locational requirements will be further developed after approval by the Florida Department of Transportation (“**FDOT**”); and

WHEREAS, subsection 14-51.051 (3), Florida Administrative Code (“**F.A.C.**”), requires local governments interested in using wayfinding signage along the state highway system to establish criteria for the destinations shown on the wayfinding sign system plan, and authorizes local governments to use the destination guide signs criteria found in section 14-51.030, F.A.C., for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, subsection 14-51.051(7) requires that wayfinding signs be designed, installed and maintained in accordance with the standards referenced in subsections 14-51.014(7) and (8), F.A.C.; and

WHEREAS, subsection 14-51.051 (8), F.A.C., requires local governments to be responsible for the planning, design, installation, and maintenance of all wayfinding signage, including those on the state highway system; and

WHEREAS, subsection 14-51.051 (9), F.A.C., requires local governments to submit their wayfinding signage plans to the FDOT to initiate the FDOT’s permitting process; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to subsection 14-51.051 (3), F.A.C., the City Commission approves for use by the City of Winter Springs the destination guide signs criteria set forth in section 14-51.030, F.A.C. for the destinations shown on the wayfinding sign system plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS, SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. **Recitals.** The foregoing recitals are deemed true and correct and are hereby fully incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. **Support of the Wayfinding Sign System Plan.** The City Commission of the City of Winter Springs hereby expresses its support for the preliminary version of the wayfinding sign system plan, entitled “Wayfinding Signage System, Winter Springs, Florida”, prepared by National Sign Plazas, and dated September 20, 2015 (revised), attached hereto as **Exhibit “A”** and incorporated herein by reference (the “**Plan**”), which Plan includes the preliminary sign location map along State Road 434 and State Road 419.

Section 3. **Adoption of Destination Guide Signs Criteria.** The City Commission of the City of Winter Springs hereby adopts the destination guide signs criteria set forth in section 14-51.030, Florida Administrative Code, for the destinations shown on the Plan.

Section 4. **Repeal of Prior Inconsistent Resolutions.** All prior inconsistent resolutions adopted by the City Commission, or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

Section 5. **Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, word or provision of this resolution is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, whether for substantive, procedural, or any other reason, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

Section 6. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the City Commission.

(Signature Page Follows)

RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Winter Springs, in a regular meeting assembled on the 25th day of July, 2016.

CHARLES LACEY, Mayor

ATTEST:

ANDREA LORENZO-LUACES, City Clerk

Approved as to legal form and sufficiency for
the City of Winter Springs only:

ANTHONY A. GARGANESE, City Attorney