The City Commission of the City of West Palm Beach met in regular session on Monday, October 22, 2007 at 3:05 p.m., at City Hall, with the following persons present:

Mayor Lois J. Frankel, President of the Commission William Moss, Commissioner Molly Douglas, Commissioner Kimberly Mitchell [arrived at 4:16 p.m.], Commissioner Geraldine Muoio, Commissioner Isaac Robinson, Jr., City Administrator Edward Mitchell, City Attorney Claudia McKenna, Deputy City Clerk Jennifer McDonald and Deputy Clerk Lisa Hedge.

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Mayor offered a moment of silence in honor of all the men and women serving overseas and Commissioner Moss led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Mayor said a silent prayer for community activist George Frost.

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PRESENTATION AND AWARDS OF MERIT:

2. Presentation of the Grassy Waters Preserve "Moveable Wildflower Meadow,” an art-in-nature wildflower education project – Recreation Campus Manager Penelope Redford of Grassy Waters Preserve made a presentation and thanked Nature Center Program Coordinator Samuel Dorfman. Mr. Dorfman [a] made a presentation; [b] responded to Commission questions; and [c] recognized the artists who participated in the Moveable Wildflower Meadow project. CEO and Executive Director Bob Nichols of the nonprofit organization Grassy Waters Preserve made a presentation.

3. Presentation of The Children's Coalition, Inc.’s trip to Washington and Tallahassee – Founder and Director Carlton Cartwright of the Children’s Coalition, Inc. made a presentation and responded to Commission questions.
CONSENT CALENDAR:

Commissioner Douglas requested that item #7 be pulled from the Consent Calendar for discussion. It was moved by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Muoio, to approve the following Consent Calendar:

4. Resolution No. 439-07, authorizing the execution of an Agreement between Palm Beach County and the City of West Palm Beach for Joint Project Participation of the Emergency Traffic Signal and Landscaping at the intersection of Northlake Boulevard and Memorial Park Road for Fire Station No. 8; and Resolution No. 397-07(F) providing appropriations for the grant.

5. Resolution No. 426-07(F) amending the Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Personnel Detail budget for the Critical Services Bureau of the Police Department authorizing the reallocation of one (1) vacant Emergency Communications Supervisor to one vacant (1) Emergency Communications Operator III position and one (1) vacant Emergency Communications Operator I to one (1) vacant Emergency Communications II position.

6. Resolution No. 425-07(F) deleting the full-time position of Accounting Clerk within the Finance Department.

8. Resolution No. 384-07 authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement between the City of West Palm Beach and Palm Beach County for the 2007 - 2008 Drowning Prevention Coalition's Learn to Swim program that distributes vouchers to the public which may be redeemed for swimming lessons at designated aquatic facilities within Palm Beach County.

9. Resolution No. 399-07(F) amending the Water and Sewer Operating Fund and various other Water and Sewer Fund budgets for changes in estimated revenues and expenditures for Fiscal Year 2007/2008.

10. Resolution No. 408-07 authorizing the assessment of City liens in the total amount of $16,478.37 for unpaid water, sewer and stormwater service for the month of July 2007.

11. Resolution No. 403-07 approving certain traffic calming requests in accordance with Chapter 86, Article V of the City's Code of Ordinances.

12. Resolution No. 358-07 approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement between the City and Levay T. Smith, under the City's Commercial Facade Improvement Program to
provide a $25,000 loan for facade improvements to property located at 6901-6905 South Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, Florida.

13. Resolution No. 418-07 regarding the minor subdivision of the Reflections Office Towers development and authorizing a Subdivision Agreement for required utility work and release of the unity of title. 

and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR [CONTINUED]:

7. Resolution No. 421-07 – City Attorney Claudia McKenna responded to Commissioner Douglas’ questions regarding Joan Goldberg’s contract as it pertains to City Center. It was moved by Commissioner Douglas, seconded by Commissioner Muoio, to adopt Resolution No. 421-07 authorizing a one-year renewal of a Consulting Agreement with Diversified Circle, Inc.; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS:

14. Resolution No. 224-07 and Resolution No. 405-07 – Senior Urban Designer Matthew Flis responded to Commission questions. It was moved by Commissioner Muoio, seconded by Commissioner Robinson, to adopt Resolution No. 224-07 authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute a Quit-Claim Deed for a parcel located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Banyan Boulevard and Clearwater Drive; and Resolution No. 405-07 authorizing the creation of the plat entitled "West Palm Beach Intermodal Transfer Facility" for those properties located within the block bounded by Tamarind Avenue to the east, Banyan Boulevard to the north, and Clearwater Drive to the south and west; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

15. Resolution No. 387-07 – Director of Parks and Recreation Christine Thrower made a presentation and responded to Commission questions. Chair of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Kerry Gallagher responded to Commission questions. It was moved by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Douglas, to adopt Resolution No. 387-07
authorizing the Fiscal Year 2007/2008 fees to be charged for programs and services provided by the Department of Parks and Recreation; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

16. Resolution No. 406-07 and Resolution No. 407-07(F) – Director of Public Works John Alford made a presentation and responded to Commission questions. It was moved by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Douglas, to adopt Resolution No. 406-07 establishing new monthly billing rates for residential curbside and residential containerized recycling collection services for single-family and multi-family residents; and Resolution No. 407-07(F) providing appropriations for the change; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

17. Resolution No. 416-07 and Resolution No. 417-07 – City Administrator Edward Mitchell read into the record the results of the Police Benevolent Association’s vote for the Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement. It was moved by Commissioner Muoio, seconded by Commissioner Douglas, to adopt Resolution No. 416-07 authorizing the execution of a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of West Palm Beach and the Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association (“PBA”), Certified Unit No. 145 and Certified Unit No. 825, for the period October 1, 2007 - September 30, 2008; and Resolution No. 417-07 which amends the City's Salary Plan as provided by Resolution No. 361-07 approved on September 24, 2007 and amended by Resolution No. 94-07 approved on October 9, 2007 to create the job classification of Senior Latent Print Examiner; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

18. Resolution No. 420-07 and Resolution No. 433-07 – City Administrator Edward Mitchell responded to Commission questions. It was moved by Commissioner Douglas, seconded by Commissioner Moss, to adopt Resolution No. 420-07 authorizing the execution of a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of West Palm Beach and the Service Employees International Union (“SEIU”)/Florida Public Services Union, Certified Unit No. 401, for the period October 1, 2007 - September 30, 2008; and Resolution No. 433-07 amending the City's Salary Plan for Fiscal Year 2007/2008 by establishing the job classifications and pay grades for jobs represented by the
SEIU Bargaining Unit; and thereafter it was voted as follows:
Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson;
Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried
unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING:

19. Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 4082-07 –
It was moved by Commissioner Douglas, seconded by
Commissioner Moss, to adopt Ordinance No. 4082-07 a request
by Emily O'Mahoney, of Gentile, Holloway, O'Mahoney, and
Associates, on behalf of Charles Development, LLC, for a text
amendment to Chapter 94 (Zoning and Land Development
Regulations) of the City's Code of Ordinances to amend Article
VII (Special Districts), Section 94-215 (Currie Corridor Mixed
Use District) to permit and regulate rooftop terraces within the
Currie Corridor Mixed Use District; thereupon Ordinance No.
4082-07 was read into the record by title; and thereafter it was
voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio
and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion
therefore carried unanimously.

20. Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 4081-07 –
It was moved by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by
Commissioner Moss, to adopt Ordinance No. 4081-07 a request
by Christopher P. Barry, of Jon E. Schmidt and Associates, for a
text amendment to Chapter 94 of the City's Code of Ordinances
(Zoning and Land Development Regulations) regarding the
parking requirements for Warehousing Facilities for Families
and Small Businesses. The amendment will apply City-wide;
thereupon Ordinance No. 4081-07 was read into the record by
title; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio
and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion
therefore carried unanimously.

21. Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 4008-07 –
City Attorney Claudia McKenna responded to Commission
questions. Commissioner Douglas thanked the Elections Task
Force for their recommendations. It was moved by
Commissioner Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Muoio, to
adopt Ordinance No. 4008-07 amending Chapter 30, Section 30-
1 of the City's Code of Ordinances to change the date for
candidates to qualify for city offices and Section 30-2 to change
the date for the alternative method of qualifying for City offices;
thereupon Ordinance No. 4008-07 was read into the record by
title; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent:
Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.
22. **Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 4060-07** – Principal Planner Eric Schneider [a] made a presentation; [b] announced text changes that were made to Ordinance No. 4060-07; and [c] responded to Commission questions. Commissioner Muoio requested information regarding the costs associated with the code enforcement process. It was moved by Commissioner Douglas, seconded by Commissioner Muoio, to adopt Ordinance No. 4060-07 a City initiated text amendment to create Section 94-450 "Vacant Lot and Construction Site Maintenance;" thereupon Ordinance No. 4060-07 was read into the record by title; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

23. **Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 4066-07** – It was moved by Commissioner Moss, seconded by Commissioner Robinson, to adopt Ordinance No. 4066-07 a City initiated text amendment to amend Sections 18-209, 94-102, 94-302 and 94-442 relating to the provision of landscaping on vacant sites, the timeline for downtown demolition, including landscaping, and the regulation of temporary construction fences; thereupon Ordinance No. 4066-07 was read into the record by title; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

24. **Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 4092-07** – Deputy City Administrator Dorritt Miller made a presentation. It was moved by Commissioner Douglas, seconded by Commissioner Muoio, to approve Ordinance No. 4092-07 authorizing the dissolution of the West Palm Beach Golf Commission Money Purchase Government Pick-Up Plan; thereupon Ordinance No. 4092-07 was read into the record by title; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

24. **Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 4086-07** – Assistant City Attorney Suzanne Payson made a presentation. It was moved by Commissioner Douglas, seconded by Commissioner Moss, to approve Ordinance No. 4086-07 authorizing execution of a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City and Barcelona Square Limited Partnership; thereupon Ordinance No. 4086-07 was read into the record by title; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.
25. Public Hearing of Resolution No. 404-07 and Resolution No. 409-07(F) – Director of Housing and Community Development Emelda Johnson made a presentation and responded to Commission questions. It was moved by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Moss, to adopt Resolution No. 404-07 amending the City's One-Year Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2005/2006 to authorize the use of HOME funds for acquisition of rental property, to authorize a forgivable loan to the Charmettes Inc. and to reprogram funds from the First Time Homebuyer Program to other activities; and Resolution No. 409-07(F) transferring the reprogrammed funds; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Moss, Muoio and Robinson; Absent: Commissioner Mitchell. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

26. Public Hearing of Resolution No. 389-07 – Principal Planner Eric Schneider [a] made a presentation; [b] announced changes that would be made to Exhibit E; and [c] responded to Commission questions. The applicant Alan Ciklin, Esq. of Ocean Properties made a presentation and responded to Commission questions. Public comment: William Diamond, Raphael Clemente and John Revson. It was moved by Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Douglas, to adopt Resolution No. 389-07 a request by Alan Ciklin, Esq., on behalf of Ocean Properties, Ltd. and Palm Beach County for approval of a Level III Site Plan to allow the construction of the Westin Convention Center Hotel and Residences, which will include 400 hotel rooms, 104 condominiums, restaurants, a spa and other amenities, and the Palm Beach County Convention Center Parking Structure, which will house the majority of the parking for the hotel; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Mitchell, Moss, Muoio and Robinson. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING – QUASI-JUDICIAL:

-SWEARING IN OF WITNESSES

The Deputy City Clerk swore in all those persons having an interest in items # 27, # 29 and # 31.

-DISCLOSURE OF EX-PARTE COMMUNICATIONS, IF ANY*

Commissioner Douglas stated that she [a] had had ex-parte communications regarding items # 27, # 29 and # 31; and [b] would base her decisions on the evidence and testimony to be presented.
Commissioner Muoio stated that she [a] had had no additional ex-parte communication regarding item #27; [b] had had no ex-parte communications regarding items #29 and #31; and [c] would base her decisions on the evidence and testimony to be presented.

Commissioner Moss stated that he [a] had had no additional ex-parte communication regarding item #27; [b] had had no ex-parte communications regarding items #29 and #31; and [c] would base his decisions on the evidence and testimony to be presented.

Commissioner Robinson stated that he [a] had had no additional ex-parte communications with the developer regarding items #27 and #28; [b] had had ex-parte communications with staff and the applicant regarding item #29; [c] had had ex-parte communication with staff regarding item #30; [d] had had ex-parte communication regarding item #31; and [e] would base his decisions on the evidence and testimony to be presented.

Commissioner Mitchell stated that she [a] had had no ex-parte communication regarding item #27; [b] had had no additional ex-parte communication regarding item #28; [c] had had no ex-parte communications regarding items #29 and #31; and [d] would base her decisions on the evidence and testimony to be presented.

At this time Commissioner Muoio corrected her disclosure of ex-parte communications by stating that she [a] had had ex-parte communication regarding item #31; and [b] would base her decision on the evidence and testimony to be presented.

27. Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance No. 4077-07 – It was moved by Commissioner Muoio, seconded by Commissioner Douglas, to adopt Ordinance No. 4077-07 a request by Brian Terry, of Land Design South, on behalf of Home Dynamics Charleston, LLC, for a Major Amendment to the Charleston Commons Residential Planned Development (RPD) to modify the adopted site plan and increase the unit count from 90 to 116; thereupon Ordinance No. 4077-07 was read into the record by title; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Mitchell, Moss, Muoio and Robinson. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 337-07 – It was moved by Commissioner Muoio, seconded by Commissioner Moss, to adopt Resolution No. 337-07 a request for a Major Subdivision of real property to create the
plat entitled "Charleston Commons," providing 116 fee-simple
townhouse lots and a common area; and thereafter it was voted
as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Mitchell, Moss,
Muoio and Robinson. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

28. [NOTE: Despite its position on the Agenda, this item is not
Public Hearing – Quasi-Judicial.] Public Hearing and Second
Reading of Ordinance No. 4078-07 – It was moved by
Commissioner Douglas, seconded by Commissioner Muoio, to
adopt Ordinance No. 4078-07 designating the Vedado-Hillcrest
Neighborhood as a historic district on the West Palm Beach
Register of Historic Places; thereupon Ordinance No. 4078-07
was read into the record by title; and thereafter it was voted as
follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Mitchell, Moss, Muoio
and Robinson. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

[The Mayor passed the gavel to the President of the
Commission and left the meeting at 4:45 p.m.]

29. Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 4083-07 –
Planner Kelly Freeman made a presentation and responded to
Commission questions. It was moved by Commissioner
Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Douglas, to approve
Ordinance No. 4083-07 a request by Chuck Millar, of Moyle,
Flanigan, Katz, Breton, White & Krasker, P.A., on behalf of
5701 Military, LLC, to annex approximately 2.18 acres located
at 5701 North Military Trail; thereupon Ordinance No. 4083-07
was read into the record by title; and thereafter it was voted as
follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Mitchell, Moss, Muoio
and Robinson. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 4084-07 – It
was moved by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by
Commissioner Douglas, to approve Ordinance No. 4084-07 a
companion request to assign an Industrial (I) Future Land Use
designation to the annexed property; thereupon Ordinance No.
4084-07 was read into the record by title; and thereafter it was voted as
follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Mitchell, Moss, Muoio
and Robinson. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance No. 4085-07 – It
was moved by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by
Commissioner Douglas, to approve Ordinance No. 4085-07 a
companion request to assign an Industrial (I) zoning designation
to the annexed property; thereupon Ordinance No. 4085-07 was
read into the record by title; and thereafter it was voted as
follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Mitchell, Moss, Muoio
and Robinson. Motion therefore carried unanimously.

[The Mayor returned to the meeting at 4:52 p.m.]
The meeting recessed at 4:56 p.m. and reconvened at 5:04]

The Mayor announced that a Commission Workshop will be held regarding the proposed Norton Park water taxi dock. Planning Director Charles Wu announced that [a] the Planning Department will respond to the questions and concerns the public has regarding the proposed dock; and [b] he will report to the Commission regarding the concerns of the citizens and whether the project can move forward.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Denise Smith-Barnes of Pinewood Park spoke about [a] an incident regarding fund-raising at a recent Clematis by Night event; and [b] introduced mentees Brenis Mondesir and Tamika McDonald. Brad Aldridge spoke about the Blue Roof Program audit. David Golley spoke about code violations on a property he would like to rehabilitate. Roger Gaskins spoke about the Code Compliance Division. Alan Levine [a] commended the Parks and Recreation Department for the Enchanted Village event recently held at Phipps Park; [b] spoke about mentally ill persons affecting downtown businesses; [c] spoke about programs that would resolve the issue; [d] requested the City donate money for the cause; and [e] suggested that meetings in room 519 be televised. Jeanine Heidtman, Wallace Waldon, Caroline Seymour and Julia Fine spoke against the proposed Norton Park water taxi dock. Beth Koven [a] spoke against the proposed Norton Park water taxi dock; and [b] suggested free parking downtown. Bill Sned, attorney for Norton Art Gallery and Palm Beach Atlantic University [a] expressed his concern regarding parking at the Norton Park; and [b] spoke about the proposed Norton Park water taxi dock. Alex Vizoso-Saylor spoke about a proposed Fire Service Special Assessment. Gail Levine [a] urged the public to become more involved in local government; [b] spoke about the Enchanted Village event; [c] noted that palm trees are being planted along Flagler Drive; [d] spoke about a potential rat problem; [e] commended people along Dixie Highway who are making an effort to rehabilitate homes with code violations; [f] announced new plantings along South Olive Avenue south of Southern Boulevard; and [g] spoke about parcel sizes in historic districts. David London [a] spoke about the needs of mentally ill persons; [b] spoke about guaranteed income; and [c] suggested that magnesium be added to the water supply. Michael Cleveland spoke about [a] the changes made to the City Commission Meeting times; [b] the City Center project; [c] the homeless; and [d] the paint color of
the properties recently built for the Merry Place project. Gladys Van Otteren spoke about [a] the changes made to the City Commission Meeting times; [b] the hiring of Joan Goldberg as a consultant; and [c] the City Center project.

OTHER BUSINESS:

30. Discussion regarding Zoning In Progress ("ZIP") for lots facing Flagler Drive and status of Staff's research – Commissioner Moss stated that he submitted a letter from the historic neighborhoods that recommends that the City move forward with the Winters Survey. Planning Director Charles Wu responded to Commission questions. It was the consensus of the Commission to remove the ZIP.

31. Second Appeal of the decision of the Historic Preservation Board (HPB) in Case No. 06-84, 3215 S. Flagler Drive – At this time the Deputy City Clerk swore in all those remaining persons having an interest in this item. Historic Preservation Planner Friederike Mittner, Dennis Koehler, representing the applicant, and Stuart Brenner of Brenner Architects made presentations and responded to Commission questions. City Attorney Claudia McKenna responded to Commission questions.

[The Mayor left the meeting at 6:42 p.m. and returned at 6:49 p.m.]

Public comments: Lila Young, Bailey Gray, Lory Volk, John Revson, John Raymond, James Young, Nancy Pullum and Joyce Raymond of the Historic Preservation Board. It was moved by Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Moss, to uphold the decision of the Historic Preservation Board (HPB) in Case No. 06-84, 3215 S. Flagler Drive denying an application for new construction in the Prospect Park/Southland Park Historic District.

After further discussion the maker of the motion, along with the seconder, amended her motion as follows: It was moved by Commissioner Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Moss, to remand Case No. 06-84, 3215 S. Flagler Drive back to the Historic reservation Board; and thereafter it was voted as follows: Ayes: Commissioners Douglas, Mitchell, Moss, Muoio and Robinson. Motion therefore carried unanimously.
PUBLIC COMMENTS [CONTINUED]:

Marvin Merritt, on behalf of Coaching 4 Life, [a] spoke about Project Uplift; and [b] thanked the City and community advocates for supporting Coaching 4 Life.

COMMENTS BY THE CITY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Mitchell [a] spoke about the changes made to the City Commission Meeting times; [b] spoke about a sample Ordinance regarding civil remedies to deal with problem properties that she had sent to the Law Department for review; [c] stated that she would like the reparation of the water and sewer system to be a priority; [d] spoke about the hiring of Joan Goldberg as a consultant; [e] announced that a memorial service for George Frost will be held on Sunday, October 28, 2007 at Quattlebaum Funeral Home from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. and [f] announced that a celebration of George Frost’s life will be held on Monday, October 29, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. at the Poinciana Chapel in Palm Beach.

Commissioner Robinson [a] expressed his concern regarding the widening of Australian Avenue; and [b] commented on an accident that occurred on Australian Avenue the night of October 21, 2007; [c] noted that a contingency group will be representing the Palm Beach County League of Cities on November 4, 2007 and November 17, 2007; and [d] expressed his concern regarding solicitation at the intersections of 45th Street and Congress Avenue, 45th Street and Australian Avenue and Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard and Australian Avenue.

Commissioner Moss [a] thanked the Parks and Recreation Department for the lights that were installed at the Little League Park; and [b] suggested controlling the raccoon population. City Administrator Edward Mitchell stated that the City could work with Palm Beach County Animal Control to set traps.

Commissioner Muoio [a] recommended that the discussion of the City’s processes regarding the water breach be continued at the next meeting; [b] noted that she attended the Fire Department’s award ceremony held the previous week; and [c] spoke about the colors that the newly built properties in Merry Place are being painted.

Commissioner Douglas [a] announced that the Northwood CRA recently won a national award; [b] announced the opening of a new restaurant at the corner of Northwood Road and Dixie Highway; [c] spoke about the start of the Greenmarket; [d] suggested that the Greenmarket vendors be smoke-free; [e]
spoke about the Fire Department's award ceremony and the Ray Gore event; [f] noted that she attended the meetings of the Northwood Hills Neighborhood Association, the Riverwalk of the Palm Beaches Homeowners Association, the South End Neighborhood Association, the Construction Services Task Force and the Pleasant City Neighborhood Association; and [g] spoke about item #31.

COMMENTS BY THE MAYOR:

The Mayor [a] announced that the Greenmarket is currently opened Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; and [b] spoke about the progress being made regarding the water issue.

At this time Commissioner Moss requested that the water restrictions be moved to two days a week. The Mayor iterated the importance of publicizing that the water restrictions are being reinstated after the end of October.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

APPROVED:

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PRESIDING OFFICER

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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*Pursuant to Resolution No. 179-95, adopted according to the provisions of Section 286.0115, Florida Statutes, members of the Commission shall disclose on the record: 1) ex-parte communications - verbal or written and written communications shall be placed in the record; and 2) site visits, investigations, etc.