

MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
OLD CITY HALL, 510 GREENE STREET
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2014

A regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Key West, Florida was held in Commission Chambers, Old City Hall, on Monday, December 15, 2014.

Mayor Craig Cates called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Answering roll call were Commissioners Teri Johnston, Clayton Lopez, Billy Wardlow, Jimmy Weekley, Tony Yaniz and Mayor Craig Cates.

Commissioner Mark Rossi was absent.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America was given by all present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

It was moved by Commissioner Johnston and seconded by Commissioner Wardlow to approve the agenda as presented. The Mayor asked for objections and seeing none the agenda was approved.

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. Passed to Second Reading

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 78 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING ARTICLE V, ENTITLED "SIGHTSEEING VEHICLES PURSUANT TO FRANCHISE" TO INCLUDE ADDITIONS TO SECTION 78-251 ENTITLED "FRANCHISE APPLICATION PROCESS"; AND AMENDING SECTION 78-252 ENTITLED "CITY COMMISSION CONSIDERATION OF DULY-SUBMITTED APPLICATION" GOVERNING THE PROCESS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING FOR, GRANTING AND RENEWING SIGHTSEEING VEHICLE FRANCHISES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

The Deputy City Clerk read the title of the Ordinance.

The following people spoke on the matter:

City Attorney Smith
Michael Thomas, City View and Duck Tours Owner
Chris Belland, Old Town Trolley and Conch Tour Trains
Ed Swift, Old Town Trolley and Conch Tour Trains
Margaret Romero, 1615 Washington Street
Mark Songer, 1310 Newton Street
Ed Russo, 279 Golf Club Drive
Page Haverty, 1801 North Roosevelt Drive
City Manager Scholl

It was moved by Commissioner Weekley and seconded by Commissioner Johnston to pass the Ordinance on First Reading as is and to meet with the current Franchise Holders as well as include for Second Reading a provision which caps the overall number of sightseeing vehicles and along with specifying height, weight and length and the like regulations.

Commissioner Weekley withdrew his motion and Commissioner Johnson withdrew her motion.

It was moved by Commissioner Weekley and seconded by Commissioner Johnston to pass the Ordinance on First Reading as is and to make modifications as discussed at this meeting as proposed for Second Reading. The Mayor acknowledged the motion and second and requested the Deputy Clerk to call the roll.

Yeas: Commissioners Johnston, Lopez, Wardlow, Weekley, Yaniz and Mayor Cates

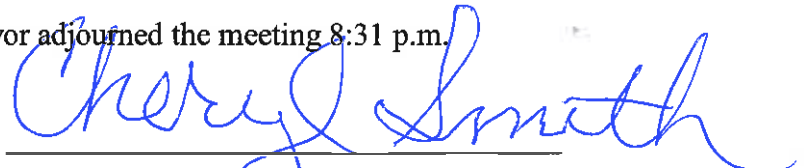
Nays: None

The said Ordinance was thereupon declared by the Mayor to have been duly passed on first reading.

SO ORDERED

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the Mayor adjourned the meeting 8:31 p.m.


Cheryl Smith, MMC, CPM
City Clerk