



# *City of Marco Island Florida*

## City Council Minutes

**Chairman:** Michael F. Minozzi Jr.  
**City Council:** Terri DiSciullo, Ted Forcht, Chuck Kiester,  
Robert J. Popoff, William D. Trotter, E. Glenn Tucker

**Regular Meeting – November 26, 2007 – 4:30 p.m.**

Chairman Minozzi called the meeting to order and presided.

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### **ROLL CALL**

All Councilors present.

Also Present: A. William Moss, City Manager  
Alan Gabriel, City Attorney  
Bill Harrison, Finance Director  
Rony Joel, Public Works Director  
Steve Olmsted, Community Development Director  
Dana Souza, Parks and Recreation Director  
Michael Murphy, Fire Chief  
Roger Reinke, Police Chief  
Lisa Douglass, Public Information Coordinator  
Laura Litzan, City Clerk  
Other interested citizens and visitors

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Minozzi led the pledge of allegiance.

### **BUSINESS**

**MOTION** by Councilor DiSciullo to defer business items 2(A), 2(B), and 2(C) to a future meeting. Second by Councilor Kiester. **MOTION CARRIED 6-1. Councilor Tucker opposed.**

(A) DISCUSSION – Award of Contract for Master Lift Station Construction.

*(Editorial History: On September 5, 2006 Council approved the acquisition of the lot at San Marco Road and Heathwood Drive for the installation of the Master Lift Station, expansion of parking for the Racquet Center and landscaping to enhance the busy intersection. On September 16, 2007 construction plans were advertised for bids. Bids were received on November 20, 2007.)*

This matter was deferred to the next meeting.

(B) DISCUSSION – Award of Contract for Elkcam Circle Outfall Construction.

*(Editorial History: The city is replacing approximately 386 linear feet of existing storm sewer from East Elkcam Circle to the outfall in the Cedar Waterway. On October 21, 2007 construction plans were advertised for bids. Bids were opened on November 13, 2007.)*

This matter was deferred to the next meeting.

(C) DISCUSSION – Acquisition of Property at 773 East Elkcam Circle.

*(Editorial History: Marco Island Utilities owns property on Elkcam Circle for the operation of the wastewater treatment plant, a drinking water treatment plant, finish water storage tanks, reuse storage tanks, reuse storage tanks, the Collection and Distribution Division and the Utility Maintenance Division. The subject property is adjacent to the utility and it would be beneficial for the Utility operations.)*

This matter was deferred to the next meeting.

(D) DISCUSSION – Unfunded Capital Projects.

*(Editorial History: At the November 12, 2007 meeting, City Council agreed to continue discussion on the unfunded capital projects.)*

**Public Comment – “Fire Assessment”**

Mr. Richard McInnis, 741 Holly Court, supports the fire assessment.

Mr. Joe Rauch, 801 South Collier Boulevard #N-302, stated that citizens will have many questions on a fire assessment.

Mr. Bill McMullan, 1250 North Collier Boulevard, feels a fire assessment is a scare tactic and a referendum should be held.

Mr. Mike Kelly, 580 Hammock Court, expressed concern that commercial property owners would pay more in taxes under a fire assessment and that the costs should be distributed more evenly.

Mr. Gary Elliott, 360 Gumbo Limbo Lane, commented that he believes that the fire assessment would be a wash.

**MOTION** by Councilor DiSciullo to direct the City Manager to move ahead with the fire assessment at 100% and schedule public hearings. Second by Vice-Chair Trotter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 7-0.**

### **Public Comment – “Caxambas Bridge”**

Mr. Boyd Whitney, 1420 Caxambas Court, commented that traffic on the bridge is higher than reported.

Ms. Helen Drummond, 596 Hernando Drive, commented on the need for reduced speed on bridges.

Mr. Robert Glaub, 46 Gulfport Court, feels ongoing bridge maintenance needs to be implemented.

Dr. Fay Biles, 1558 Heights Court, commented that the Caxambas Bridge has been repaired before.

Mr. David Rasmussen, 1495 Caxambas Court, commented that the bridge does need to be repaired.

**MOTION** by Councilor DiSciullo to appropriate \$700,000 from 2008 unrestricted reserves to fund repairs for Caxambas Bridge. Second by Vice-Chair Trotter. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 7-0.**

### **COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS**

Councilor DiSciullo requested that Council discuss “water conservation” at a meeting in January.

Councilor DiSciullo reminded Council of the dedication for the Charter Middle School on November 27, 2007.

Councilor DiSciullo encouraged Council to attend the upcoming “Issues 08” Session held at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Councilor Popoff requested Council discuss construction staging areas at a meeting soon.

**ADJOURN**

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There being no further business to come before City Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

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**Michael F. Minozzi, Jr., Chairman**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTEST:**

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**Laura Litzan, City Clerk**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PREPARED BY:**

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**Debbie McCabe, Secretary**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_