

**BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL CALLED WORK SESSION
WITH LAKE AVONDALE ADVISORY BOARD AT LAKE AVONDALE**

October 1, 2009 – 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Members Present: Ed Rieker, Mayor
Sandra Varian, Mayor Pro tem
Michael Payne, Commissioner
Lyda Steadman, Commissioner
David Milliron, Commissioner
Terry Giager, Commissioner-Elect
Gene Lee, Commissioner-Elect

Staff Present: Clai Brown, City Manager
Juliette Sims, City Clerk
Oscar Griffin, Public Works

Lake Board: Steve Sanchez
Camilla Warren
Dan Deocampo

Tree Board: Stephany Cross

Item No. 1 Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Rieker

Item No. 2 Adoption of Agenda

A motion to adopt the agenda as presented was made by Mayor Pro tem Varian, seconded by Commissioner Payne, passed with all ayes (5-0).

Item No. 3 Lake Walk with Lake Avondale Advisory Board

Mayor Rieker stated that the objective of the meeting tonight is to prioritize immediate issues and a timeframe when items can be completed in reference to the Lake Avondale Masterplan.

In recent years, the lake has become environmentally stressed. Several areas along the banks of the lake are experiencing severe erosion as the wooded reserve has seen an increase in invasive plant growth. Also, the unpaved walking trails have developed severe erosion problems and exposed tree roots.

Steve Sanchez of the Lake Avondale Advisory Board and City Staff will be walking the lake to identify maintenance items that can be addressed immediately by City Staff.

Action Items:

- Set-up volunteer weekend for residents to get them involved in the lake maintenances so they can see what is going on.
- City Manager Brown will contact Steve Sanchez for a meeting with him Bryan Armstead, Dwayne Barber and Oscar Griffin to walk the lake and mark the trees and vegetation that need to be removed, pruned, etc.
- Consensus of board not to remove any purposefully planted trees and Memorial Trees.
- City Manager and Finance Director Ken Turner working on bond, grants, etc. to fund project.
- City Manager Brown checking into the lake deed, deeded to Willis not to the City.
- Steve Sanchez will begin to work on the permits – which is a 6 months process
- City Manager Brown will have a fund set-up for people to donate for memorial trees.
- Lake Board and Tree Board to work together on getting the street trees installed now. Stephany Cross noted that the money left from the tree planting this year could be used for the street trees.

Item No. 4

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. was made by Commissioner Steadman, seconded by Commissioner Payne, passed with all ayes (5-0).

Approved this 16th day of November, 2009

Sandra Varian, Mayor Pro tem

ATTEST:

Juliette Sims-Owens, City Clerk