

CITY OF ARCHER
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COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES
PROPOSED RECREATION & CONSERVATION PROJECTS
Thursday, January 28, 2016 Time: 6.00 PM

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CALL TO ORDER:	Mayor Corey Harris
PRAYER:	Commissioner Fletcher Hope
LEADING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:	Mayor Corey Harris
Quorum Present:	
Mayor	Corey Harris
Vice Mayor	Susan Drawdy
Commissioners	Fletcher Hope
Absent:	
Commissioners	Doug Jones Marjorie Zander
Staff:	
Interim City Manager	John Glanzer
Minutes Recorder	Mary T. Flickinger

I. DISCUSSION ON POTENTIAL RECREATION AND CONSERVATION PROJECTS

Interim City Manager Glanzer stated that Alachua County is considering placing on the November ballot a referendum to impose a half-cent sales tax increase for a period of eight years. The tax is estimated to raise \$14,900,000, resulting in a total benefit to the City of Archer of \$491,700.00. Monies can be spent on recreational infrastructure or the purchase of environmentally sensitive lands. The County Commission has requested for the city to submit a list of proposed projects of how the allotted funds would be utilize. Interim City Manager Glanzer read the following list of items for consideration:

Potential uses for the proposed half-cent sales tax

1. Repair pavilion at Wilson Robinson Park.
2. Repaint and lighting at Maddox Park Pavilion.
3. Repair fences at Wilson Robinson Park.
4. Repair all lights at both parks
5. Repair caboose at Wilson Robinson Park.
6. Repair walkway at Maddox Park
7. Build enclosed gym for basketball and volleyball.
8. Enclose racquetball courts to create useable space.
9. Repair and re-clay all bascball infields.
10. Refurbish and repair the Old Fire Station
11. Resurface basketball and tennis courts at Wilson Robinson Park
12. Purchase more bleachers at both parks.

13. Purchase more picnic tables and grills at both parks.
14. Build park on property at SW 134th Ave and Depot
15. Create walkway and exercise stops at Wilson Robinson Park.
16. Install WI-FI at Public Parks.

Conservation Projects

1. Storm water project in Holly Hills and/or Park Street.
2. Help fund Sewer Project (319 grant \$250,000)

The Commission discussed adding acquiring abandoned railroad property to extend the trail, a Maddox Park directional entry sign, and resolving the sinkhole issues. Interim City Manager Glanzer noted that Preble-Rish are in the process of testing at the sinkhole sites. Interim City Manager Glanzer will present the final list of items to the Commission for review and action at the February 8, 2016, Commission meeting.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Laurie Costello, Sue Batey, Linda Kasicki, December McSherry, Sue Batey, Joan White.

III. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Harris closed the workshop at 6:47 pm.



John Glanzer, Interim City Manager



Corey Harris, Mayor