

pass this permit for us.

Seeing no one and hearing no one wishing to be heard, Mayor Hudson declared the Public Hearing closed.

Commissioner Perona stated he was trying to see how this proposed structure could encumber anyone's line of site. I can't see how a line of vision could be block with the large dune line right there. I have had these sail shades for a long period of time.

Mayor Hudson asked Mr. Benton to refresh her on the numbers of letters.

Mr. Benton stated 246 letters were sent out, 42 approved and 16 opposed.

Mayor Hudson stated that some of the 16 individuals that opposed the project were discussing things that the City has no control over.

Motion was made by Commissioner Perona, seconded by Commissioner Becht, voting in favor of the Conditional Use to permit construction of sail shades with one condition; receive a DEP permit of these amenities seaward of the Coastal Construction Control Line prior to the issuance of a building permit were: Commissioners Becht, Perona, Sessions and Hudson. Those oppose: None.

The next item was a Public Hearing on Application for Site Plan with conditions to construct a 6,550 square foot addition by Frank Gonzalez, NSS Acquisition Corporation, Bev Smith Toyota at 3350 South U.S. Highway #1; said property zoned C-3, General Commercial.

Mr. Ryan Sweeny, Interim Planning Manager said the applicant is requesting to construct a 6,550 square foot addition to the existing car dealership. The property is zoned C-3 General Commercial. The majority of the addition is to the rear, about 50 linear feet, and they are contemplating a remodel of the front façade to match the corporate appearance of the building. They will be making some minor site improvements. The car storage area will be reconfigured and landscape islands to bring the site back into compliance with City Code. The Planning Board at the August 13, 2013 meeting to unanimously approve the Site Plan with conditions. City Staff recommends approval of the Site Plan with 3 conditions: The applicant shall record a Unity of Title combining the two (2) parcels into one (1), prior to issuance of a Building Permit; The applicant shall pay the required payment-in-lieu for the western and southern property boundary sidewalk requirements, prior to issuance of a Building Permit; and the applicant shall dedicate said pedestrian easement to St. Lucie County, prior to issuance of a Certificate of Completion.

Commissioner Becht said a Certificate of Occupancy or a Certificate of Completion is your condition. If I may, we are asking them to pay money in this payment-in-lieu for the sidewalk requirement on the western and southern side. Do you know what happens to that money?

Mr. Sweeny said it goes into a sidewalk for the City but we will

be paying to the County. A Certificate of Completion.

Commissioner Becht said I don't know if anyone else knows what happens to funds at the County. After 10 years if they are not used, then they are dispersed back to the owner and I don't know if that is how it works. I'll ask the question.

Mayor Hudson declared a Public Hearing on the Site Plan Application, and asked if anyone in the audience wished to be heard.

Mr. Patrick Ferland, P.E. Culpepper & Terpening came forward and stated he is representing the applicant. I don't know the answer to that question.

Commissioner Becht said let me be real clear with the applicant, if they got their money back in 10 years that would be better than taking money from a City project and using it for an unincorporated project. We'll probably find out somewhere along the line.

Mr. Ferland stated the sidewalk on the western side along U.S. 1 is a FDOT road and the sidewalk is under design with an overlay program; we are not paying for that, it is funded by FDOT.

Commissioner Sessions asked Mr. Ferland how he feels about staff did they work with you? Business friendly?

Mr. Ferland said he had a very good experience with Staff.

Mr. Bill McNeely, 2705 Sunrise Boulevard came forward and stated often I see sidewalks to now where and we create this puzzle. We have been short on sidewalks since this city was built. I think we should never waive sidewalks. After 10 years they are linked together. I have watched this Commission waive sidewalks for 20 years and every time I think we do it is a mistake. They are useful.

Mr. Ferland stated there are no waivers being requested. We are donating a sidewalk on the north and we are paying for one on the south and FDOT is paying for one on the west.

Seeing no one and hearing no one wishing to be heard, Mayor Hudson declared the Public Hearing closed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Perona, seconded by Commissioner Becht that the Application for Site Plan be approved as amended with the conditions.

Those voting in favor of the motion were: Commissioners Becht, Perona, Sessions, and Hudson. Those opposed: None.

The next item was a Public Hearing on the proposed 2013-2014 General Fund Budget and Millage Rate for the City of Fort Pierce.

Commissioner Becht stated his support of the increase in the millage rate was dependent on the adoption of a resolution which comes after this matter. I don't think I am the only one up here. Mr. Schwerer, how do we proceed; such that the intent is expressed by the Commission to go to this level if we had a