

Council workshop
February 5, 2008

Mayor Marse called to order council workshop of February 5, 2008 at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Mayor J.M. Marse, Council members Jean Arrant, Mike Helton, Ray Jackson, Earl King, and Charlie Simmons. Also present: City Planner Latilda Henninger, City Clerk Robin Haynes, and Peters Municipal Associates representatives Mr. Tonny Peters and Mr. Jody Solomon.

Tonny Peters opened the traffic concurrency workshop by updating the council on meetings that he and Jody have had with the County engineering department regarding traffic counts and traffic concurrency. Mr. Peters stated that the initial meetings were used to determine the difference between the City traffic counts and the County traffic counts. He outlined the progress report as follows:

- The County has implemented adjustments to its development review schedule, setting expirations for individual steps in the review process
- The City has implemented similar scheduling modifications in its development review process. This would enable the traffic concurrency system to be synchronized and will introduce reserve trips to the City
- For current major planned development that currently impact the system with reserved trips the County enabled expirations to remove these reservations in a maximum of three years
- The County is reviewing its review process in determining which development phases are eligible to reserve trips. The City is currently only allowing trips for which the construction plans are in the review process.

Jody updated the council on the traffic counts on the current sections of Highway 20 and Highway 331 within the City limits. These sections are loaded at this time. His suggestion is to set a road plan to pull some of the traffic off of the main highways and onto City streets and require developers to help assist with the costs of the new roads.

Proportionate fair share versus impact fees were also discussed briefly. It was agreed that the impact fees would probably be a more "fair" distribution of costs to developers.

Tonny requested Council approval to proceed with the meetings with the County to start working on a possible synchronization schedule for the traffic concurrency models. Council agreed for them to continue with the meetings.

With no other business, Councilman Simmons motioned to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

J.M. Marse, Mayor

Robin Haynes, City Clerk

Earl King, President of Council