## CITY OF HAWTHORNE

COMMISSIONERS: DeLoris Roberts, Mayor Eleanor Randall, Vice Mayor John Martin Terry Knowles William Carlton CITY MANAGER: Chad M. Shryock, City Manager Donna R. Mayes, City Clerk CITY ATTORNEY: Patricia Carter

## MINUTES CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP JANUARY 25, 2006

Mayor Roberts called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM. Commissioners present were Mayor Roberts, Vice Mayor Randall, Martin and Knowles. Others present was City Manager Shryock, City Clerk Mayes, Attorney Carter, Code Board Members Tim Logan and Vivian Wagner and Code Enforcement Officer Al Davis. Absent was Commissioner Carlton.

The CRA Meeting had not been advertised separately so was tabled until the February 6<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting Date.

Mayor Roberts asked for the City Manager Evaluation's to be turned in relating she would compile them into one form. Some was not prepared so it was decided to go ahead and review the ones they had. To save time and seeing as the good marks did not really need discussion, Commissioner Martin made the suggestion to review the ones rated a three (3) or less. 1 - as unsatisfactory, 2 – improvement, 3 – Meets job standards, 4 – Exceeds Job, 5 – Outstanding. He noted that he had marked n/o on 2.C because he has not seen any media relations yet. On 7.b, Financial resources (grants) form other agencies pursued, he and Mayor Roberts had marked 3 since Mr. Shryock has not been with the City long enough to give him opportunities to accomplish this. All Commissioners present was over all pleased and had high marks for City Manager Shryock.

## SCOUT HOUSE:

The general consensus of the Board and others present was that if the City had to put up any funds, this was not the project to do it on with so many other priorities. Commissioner Martin related that no plan had ever been presented to the Commission on options for the Scout House. Discussion issued on where to put the Hurricane Shelter when funds were available but no decision was made.

## CODE INFORCEMENT ORDINANCE:

Attorney Carter informed that her research showed that the City's Ordinance has been kept up to date. She advised that State Statute now allows that a code board can be replaced by a magistrate (hearing officer). Some cities have made this change. She cautioned that although the State Statute says no hearing is required to assess the fines and liens, the courts have found that property owners should have the opportunity to provide evidence to the Board concerning the facts on which the fines are based. The City of Hawthorne's Ordinance copy the Statute, but the

City actually does provide notice and a hearing when assessing fines and liens, so Ms. Carter recommended the ordinance be changed to show this requirement. Extensive discussion occurred on the overall enforcement of the codes in the City as well as providing training for the current board.

Motion was made by Commissioner Martin to adjourn the Workshop at 8:00 PM. The vote was unanimous.

These Minutes of the January 25, 2006 Commission Workshop are submitted for approval.

Chad M. Shryock, City Manager

DeLoris Roberts-Cheatham, Mayor

Donna R. Mayes, CMC, City Clerk