

Town of Orange Park

Workshop

January 3, 2012

4:00 pm

1. Waterfront property update
 - a. Riverfront properties discussion
 - b. River Road discussion

2. Citizen committees
 - Public Safety and Public Works
 - General Services and Recreation
 - General Government Administration
 - Finance and Budget
 - Land Use Planning and Policy

Discussion of committees – comments provided as **Attachment I**.

3. Town Priorities

Please see **Attachment II** for discussion purposes.

4. Other items to discuss or provide direction

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Discussion of Citizen Committees

Current Roles of committees

Reactive Information/status after the fact

Review Evaluate ideas presented by staff for recommendation to Council, i.e.:

OPAA Lease
OPP Concessionaire Agreement
Park policies and Budget policies
Pavement Management System

What is authority of committees?

- 1. Only their recommendation is presented to Council*
- 2. Staff recommendation (if different) is also presented to Council*
- 3. How should staff determine what ideas go to a committee before going to Council for discussion?*

Proactive Offer new ideas or programs from committee members or outside groups, i.e.:

Waterfront Parks
River Road Pocket Parks
Clarke House Shed Grant
Clarke House Park Holiday Activities

Considerations

Reduce, combine or modify committees to reflect Town priorities.

Convene a citizen committee for one specific issue if/when appropriate.

Determine ways to attract diversified citizen participation and/or citizens representative of topic.

Change committee composition to include at least three council members.

Task committee members to establish short and/or long-term goals for their committee.

Please identify as High (H), Medium (M), or Low (L) priority

Appearance of town

- Eliminate unsightly vacant structures
- Landscape medians
- Improve signage
- Other

Economic Development

- Create a downtown "core" area
- Expand special event programming
- Facilitate development and redevelopment processes
- Other

Public Safety

- Provide excellent fire and EMS response time
- Maintain low crime rate
- Enforce town codes
- Other

Infrastructure

- Pave remaining unpaved roads
- Maintain and improve paved roads
- Improve old water and sewer lines
- Provide water and sewer service to unserved or under-served areas
- Improve drainage
- Other

Direct Citizen Services

- Acquisition of water front property for public access
- Sweep streets
- Provide high level service for trash collection
- Increase citizen awareness of Town activities
- Customer Service/ Professionalism: internal and external support, team spirit
- Use technology to enhance services
- Other

Long Term Town Sustainability

- Charge reasonable rates, fees, and millage to the citizens
- Budget dollars to reflect high and low priorities
- Diversify Revenues
- Create a Town identity
- Create a vision and/or mission statement in conjunction with a strategic plan
- Other

Name _____