MINUTES OF MEETING LAND ACQUISITION & MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (L.A.M.P.) BOARD June 28, 2007 3:30 P.M.

Proceedings of a meeting held in Conference Room A, St. Johns County Administration Building, 4020 Lewis Speedway, St. Augustine, Florida.

Members Present:

Mark Middlebrook, Chairman, Sarah Bailey, Roger Van Ghent, Paul Geiser, Warren Leve,

and Rich Turnbull

Members Absent:

Lee Gerald, Mike Adams, Chuck Padera

Staff Present:

Tony Cubbedge, Linda White, Amy Meide, and Cecelia Aldrich, Real Estate

Guests:

Cindy Ray

1. Welcome / Call to Order

Chairman Middlebrook called the meeting to order at 3:40 P.M. and welcomed those present.

2. LAMP Business Items

a. Approval of Minutes of the April 26, 2007 and May 24, 2007 meetings

Motion by Geiser, seconded by Bailey, carried 5/0 with Adams, Padera, Gerald and Van Ghent absent, to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2007 meeting as submitted.

Geiser noted that he was absent at the May 24th meeting and it should be so noted in the minutes. Motion by Bailey, seconded by Leve, carried 5/0 with Adams, Padera, Gerald and Van Ghent absent, to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2007 meeting with the correction of noting Geiser absent.

b. Update on Lamp Board applications

Cubbedge provided an update on the Lamp Board applications and noted that two proposed appointments of Ms. Sarah Owen and Mr. Nicholas McAuliffe were scheduled on the July 10th Board of County Commissioners agenda. It was noted that Middlebrook and Gerald are willing to serve a second term and there is one vacancy on the Board that still needs to be filled.

Chairman Middlebrook expressed appreciation to Geiser and Bailey for their many years of service.

c. Discussion of Bi-monthly meetings

Middlebrook suggested the Board discuss the possibility of bi-monthly meetings once a plan has been achieved. He said he would poll the Board at the next meeting and possibly change to meeting every other month in the Fall. Discussion followed on the Florida Communities Trust program and it was noted that the number of applications has increased dramatically for the 2008 project year while the amount of money available remains the same.

Commissioner Stevenson arrived at 4:20 p.m. and left at 4:30 p.m.

3. LAMP Workshop Items

Old Business

a. Top 8 List Shapefiles

Meide distributed two lists of shapefiles: one list was compiled by the Planning Division, Historic Resources Staff and included unprotected historically significant sites; the other handout included information on the Gopher Tortoise Habitat (from Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission) and descriptions of attribute values from FEMA Flood zone Data (from the St. Johns River Water

Management District website). Meide reviewed the archaeological data and discussion followed regarding the quality and type of information available. Middlebrook asked the Board members to consider what information should be presented on the map. There was discussion regarding what specific information about the land would be most useful as well as the connectivity of public lands, wetlands, and Greenways Blueways. Discussion followed on coming up with a criteria and process of choosing the desired layers.

Motion by Turnbull; seconded by Geiser, carried 6/0 with Adams, Padera, and Gerald absent, for the Board to establish a top 12 list from the list generated by staff; the members to rank numerically from 1-12 its top priorities and bring it back to the next Board meeting. Van Ghent requested that the LAMP Board objectives be added next to each priority.

4. Member Reports

Bailey

Bailey noted that she was working with the University of Florida to restore wildlife on property she owned.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

6. Adjournment

Middlebrook adjourned the meeting at 4:50 P.M.

An audio tape of this meeting is on file and available for review in the St. Johns County Real Estate Division.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jan Cecelia Aldrich, Recorder
For Cecelia Aldrich

Mark Middlebrook, Chairman