

**GULF BREEZE CITY COUNCIL  
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

APRIL 14, 2010  
WEDNESDAY 6:30 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

**ACTION AGENDA ITEMS:**

- A. Discussion and Action Regarding Resolution No. 11-10, Approving Certain Actions Relative to the Capital Funding Revenue Bonds, Series 1997A
- B. Discussion and Action Regarding Development Review Board Referrals of Apr. 6, 2010
  - I. Robert D. Tyler - 105 Chanteclair Circle  
Request to Construct a Roof over an Existing Boat Slip
  - II. Gulf Breeze Hospital - 1110 Gulf Breeze Parkway  
Request to Construct a 10 Bed Hospital Addition
  - III. Curt Long - 406 Navy Cove Boulevard  
Request to Replace an Existing Seawall and Dock
  - IV. Britton Stamps - North End of Live Oak Street  
Approval of Variance to Develop a Four Family Subdivision
- C. Discussion and Action Regarding Purchase of Equipment for York Street Park
- D. Discussion and Action Regarding Ordinance No. 04-10, Amendment of Section 21-72 of the Municipal Code , Front Yard Fences, Allowing Staff to Determine if Criteria for Front Yard Fences are Met
- E. Discussion and Action Regarding Boat Ramp Fees
- F. Discussion and Action Regarding Amendment/Rewrite of City's Comprehensive Plan
- G. Discussion and Action Regarding Underground Wiring
- H. Information Items

**If any person decides to appeal any decisions made with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or public hearing, such person may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and any evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.**

**The public is invited to comment on matters before the City Council upon seeking and receiving recognition from the Chair.**

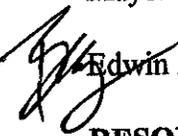


# City of Gulf Breeze

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

April 8, 2010

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM:  Edwin A. Eddy, City Manager

SUBJ: **RESOLUTION NO. 11-10, APPROVING CERTAIN ACTIONS  
RELATIVE TO CAPITAL FUNDING REVENUE BONDS,  
SERIES 1997-A**

The attached draft Resolution authorizes certain actions relative to the City's 1997A Loan Program. As listed in the preliminary, "whereas" clauses,

- The City issued \$81,500,000 in bonds in 1997 in order to create a new loan pool program.
- Municipal Bond Insurers (MBIA) provided insurance and credit approval for loans.
- The recent downgrade of MBIA may have a negative long-term effect on the ability to make loans and on bondholders willingness to retain the bonds.
- The investment of bond proceeds including reserves in a SWAP is currently in favor of the program.
- The participants in the program agree it is wise to terminate the SWAP agreement and refinance existing loans in order to restructure the program.

A Resolution authorizing the appropriate actions to restructure the program to be referred to as the 2010 program and to terminate the SWAP Agreement has been prepared.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

**That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 11-10 authorizing certain actions to be taken to restructure the Capital Funding Revenue Bonds Series 1997A and terminate the SWAP Agreement.**

Resolution 11-10

**A RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE CAPITAL FUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1997A (MUNI EXEMPT CPI BONDS) OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE; APPROVING CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH BONDS; PROVIDING CERTAIN OTHER DETAILS IN CONNECTION WITH THE BONDS AND THE 1997 PROGRAM; APPROVING REPLACEMENT FINANCING; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Gulf Breeze (the "Issuer") has issued its \$81,500,000 Capital Funding Revenue Bonds, Series 1997A Muni Exempt CPI Bonds (the "Bonds") pursuant to a Trust Indenture dated as of May 1, 1997 (the "Indenture") between the Issuer and U.S. Bank, N.A., as successor Trustee; and

**WHEREAS**, the 1997 Program established under the Indenture is administered by Gulf Breeze Financial Services, Inc. pursuant to an Administration Agreement dated as of April 28, 1997 (the "Agreement"); and

**WHEREAS**, the rating on the Bonds when issued is no longer in effect due to the unprecedented downgrade in the rating of MBIA, as Bond Insurer under the Indenture; and

**WHEREAS**, to avoid any adverse consequences to the Bondholders in the event the Swap Counterparty terminates the Swap Agreement in accordance with its terms due to the failure of MBIA to post collateral, the Issuer has determined that it is in the best interest of the Issuer and the Bondholders to terminate the Swap while it is currently favorable to the City to do so without penalty; and

**WHEREAS**, most Participants have decided to prepay their Loans and convert their indebtedness to fixed-rate debt through a program of the Issuer; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the short term left on the Bonds, it is not feasible to deposit moneys from Repayments into the Recycling Account and attempt to relend the Repayments to other potential Participants; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 5.03(g) of the Indenture provides that Repayments shall be deposited in the Redemption Fund and applied to redeem Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bond Insurer has consented to the early termination of the Swap Agreement; **NOW THEREFORE**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, SANTA ROSA COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

Section 1. Implementation of Resolution. The preambles hereof are hereby adopted as findings of the Issuer. The Issuer hereby directs the Trustee and the Administrator of the 1997 Program to do all things necessary to facilitate and to complete all actions necessary or convenient to promptly terminate the notional amount of the Swap Agreement (or so much thereof as may be possible, based upon Loan Repayments and Prepayments, and related reserves) and redeem a like principal amount of the Bonds and effect the transactions contemplated by this Resolution. The Issuer further hereby ratifies and confirms all actions heretofore taken toward such end by the Administrator, Bond Counsel, Morgan Keegan & Company and the Trustee.

Section 2. 2010 Program. The Issuer hereby approves, in concept, the issuance by the Citythe City of Gulf Breeze of new bonds for the purpose of establishing a program (the "2010 Program") for providing moneys to the Participants of the 1997 Program who wish to replace the amounts prepaid on the Participant Loans from the 1997 Program or borrow additional funds for their governmental purposes. This Section shall be subject to the adoption by the Issuer of a bond resolution authorizing and awarding the bonds for the 2010 Program. The Issuer hereby finds, determines and declares that the timing and size of the issue and the novelty and complexity of the financing plan for the Bonds require that the Bonds be negotiated at private sale rather than offered by competitive bid at public sale in order to assure the necessary flexibility to obtain the most favorable terms in the bond market. The negotiated sale of the Bonds to Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc., on behalf of the Underwriters, is hereby authorized pursuant to Section 218.385, Florida Statutes.

Section 3. Authorization of all Other Necessary Action. The Mayor, Mayor Pro-tem, City Clerk, City Manager, the Administrator of the 1997 Program, the Executive Director of the Administrator, the City Attorney and Bond Counsel for the Issuer are each designated agents of the Issuer in connection with this Resolution, and are authorized and empowered, collectively or individually, to give all directions, and take all action and steps to execute and deliver any and all instruments, documents, investments or contracts, on behalf of the Issuer which are necessary or desirable in herewith connection with the objectives of this resolution and which are not inconsistent with the terms and provisions of this resolution and other actions relating to the Bonds heretofore taken by the Issuer.

Section 4. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-10**  
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ADOPTED: This \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

City of Gulf Breeze, Florida

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

Attested this \_\_ day of  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF CITY CLERK

I, \_\_\_\_\_, City Clerk to the City of Gulf Breeze, Santa Rosa County, Florida, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution and supporting exhibits as the same were duly adopted and passed at a public meeting of the City Council of the City of Gulf Breeze on the \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, and as the same appears on record in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

(SEAL)

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

# DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD AGENDA

**DATE:** APRIL 6, 2010

**TIME:** 6:30 P.M.

**LOCATION:** GULF BREEZE CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1070  
SHORELINE DRIVE, GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA 32561

1. ROLL CALL
2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
4. REVIEW EX-PARTE COMMUNICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 20-47
5. CASES:

**Project Number:** 10-30000003-----*Case Withdrew*

**Request by:** HARBOURTOWN OFFICEOWNERS AND  
SHOPOWNERS  
913 GULF BREEZE PKWY  
GULF BREEZE, FL 32561

**Description:** CELLULAR COLLOCATION FOR CLEAR  
WIRELESS

**Project Number:** 10-30000004

**Request by:** TYLER, ROBERT D  
105 CHANTECLAIRE CIR  
GULF BREEZE, FL 32561

**Location:** 105 CHANTECLAIRE CIR

**Description:** PIER

**Project Number: 10-30000005**

Request by: GULF BREEZE HOSPITAL  
1110 GULF BREEZE PKWY  
GULF BREEZE, FL 32561

Location: 1110 GULF BREEZE PKWY

Description: 10 BED HOSPITAL ADDITION

**Project Number: 10-30000006**

Request by: LONG, CURT  
406 NAVY COVE BLVD  
GULF BREEZE, FL 32561

Location: 406 NAVY COVE BLVD

Description: REPLACING EXISTING SEAWALL AND DOCK

**Project Number: 10-40000004**

Request by: STAMPS, BRITTON  
P.O. BOX 9  
GULF BREEZE, FL 32561

Location: NORTH END OF LIVE OAK STREET

Description: SUBDIVISION VARIANCE

**PLEASE NOTIFY ME BY APRIL 5, 2010 AT 934-5115 IF YOU CANNOT BE IN ATTENDANCE, SO THAT WE CAN BE ASSURED OF A QUORUM.**

LESLIE GOMEZ  
DEPUTY CITY CLERK



# City of Gulf Breeze

TO: Edwin A. Eddy, City Manager

FROM: Ron Pulley, Director of Parks and Recreation 

SUBJECT: York Park

DATE: April 7, 2010

Mrs. Tammy Hodges has presented the City with a cashier's check for \$22,000.00, to be used for the purchase of play equipment for this park. An additional \$2,000.00 will be provided at a later date. She has also presented an equipment plan that we have reviewed and determined to be age appropriate, adhering to current safety standards and consistent with our master plan.

This equipment plan is presented by J. A. Dawson & Co. Inc. with a total cost, including shipping, of \$23,356.47. U.S. Communities Governmental Purchasing Alliance currently has a competitively bid contract with J. A. Dawson & Co. Inc. for the provision of playground equipment. Since October 1, 2009, the Cities of Destin and Panama City and Walton County have utilized this contract for the purchase of playground equipment. We propose to do so as well.

Once delivered, the equipment will be installed by volunteers, under the direction of Parks & Recreation staff. Fencing, sidewalks and landscaping will follow, in that order.

## **Recommendation**

**That Council authorize the purchase of the recommended playground equipment from J. A. Dawson & Co. Inc. at the U.S. Communities Governmental Purchasing Alliance contract price of \$23,356.47.**



**J. A. Dawson & Co., Inc.**  
**PO Box 1178**  
**Pelham, AL 35124**  
**Toll Free: 1-800-221-8869**  
**Fax Number: 205-663-5012**

**QUOTE**  
**#49026**

**03/25/2010**

**Hodges Play Park with Swings**

**Ship To Zip: 32561**

**City of Gulf Breeze Parks and Recreation**  
**Attn: Ron Pulley**  
**800 Shoreline Drive**  
**Gulf Breeze, FL 32561**  
**Phone: 850-934-5140**  
**rp-rec@mchsi.com**

Quantity	Part #	Description	Unit Price	Amount
1	RDU	Game Time - 00173-A1 Custom Carnival Corner Unit	\$24,211.00	\$24,211.00
1	6067	Game Time - Spring Pod	\$2,402.00	\$2,402.00
1	12583	Game Time - Primetime Swing Frame, 3 1/2" Od	\$1,006.00	\$1,006.00
1	12584	Game Time - Primetime Swing Add-A-Bay, 3 1/2" Od	\$624.00	\$624.00
2	8696	Game Time - Encl Seat 3 1/2"(8696)	\$242.00	\$484.00
2	8910	Game Time - Belt Seat 3 1/2"Od(8910)	\$187.00	\$374.00

Quote for equipment delivered only. Prices held from original quote in March of 2008. Swings provided for the cost of shipping only.

**SubTotal: \$29,101.00**  
**Discount: (\$7,237.93)**  
**Freight: \$1,493.40**  
**Total Amount: \$23,356.47**

Exclusions: unless specifically included, this quotation excludes all site work and landscaping; removal of existing equipment; acceptance of equipment and off-loading; storage of goods prior to installation; equipment assembly and installation; safety surfacing; borders and drainage provisions.

# Gulfbreeze Memorial Gulfbreeze, FL

Project Name & Location :

Drawn By :  
Katie Beth Shirley

Date:  
March 17, 2008

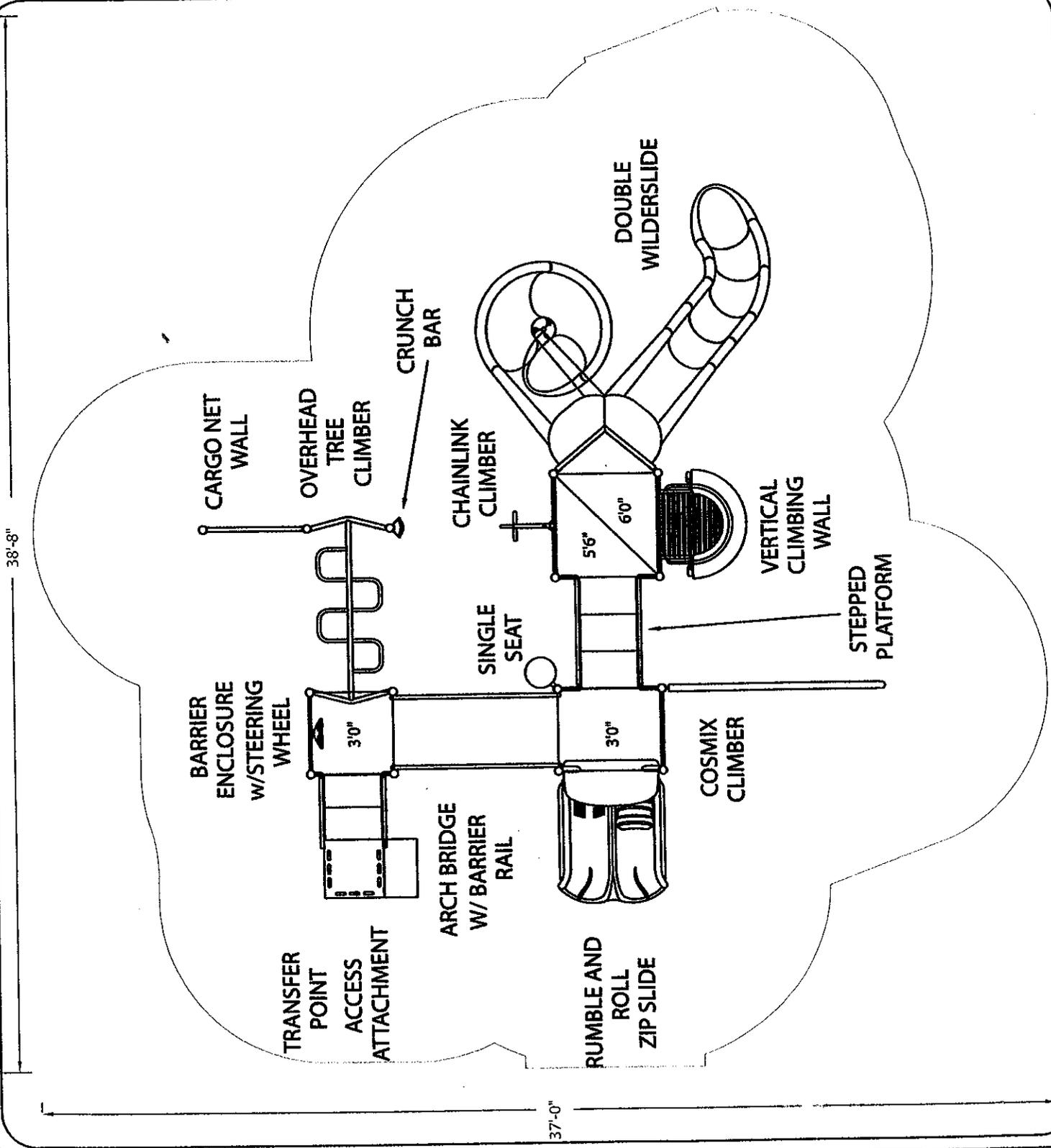
Recommended Play Area :  
X

Unit Type :

GameTime - PrimeTime

Drawing Number :  
#00173-01

J.A. Dawson & Co., Inc.  
P.O. Box 1178  
Pelham, AL 35124  
1-800-221-8869



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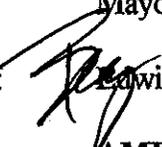


# City of Gulf Breeze

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

April 7, 2010

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM:  Edwin A. Eddy, City Manager

SUBJ: **AMENDMENT OF SECTION 21-72 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE,  
FRONT YARD FENCES, ALLOWING STAFF TO DETERMINE  
IF CRITERIA FOR FRONT YARD FENCES ARE MET**

Attached is a copy of Ordinance No. 04-10, amending Section 21-72 of the Municipal Code in order to allow staff to make the determination if the criteria for a front yard fence have been met. We have also added paragraph (7) that provides for appeal of the staff's decision to the Board of Adjustment.

## RECOMMENDATION:

**That the City Council approve Ordinance No. 04-10 on First Reading on April 19, 2010 and that a Public Hearing and Second Reading be scheduled for May 3, 2010.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 04-10**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 21-72 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO FENCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council enacted certain rules and regulations regarding the design and placement of fences on residential lots; and,

**WHEREAS**, these rules and regulations currently preclude the placement of a fence forward of the front of a primary structure on a residential lot; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to amend these rules and regulations to allow the placement of fence forward of the front of a primary structure in certain instances and when certain design criteria are met.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Gulf Breeze, as follows:

**SECTION 1: Section 21-72, Fence Requirements is hereby amended to read as follows:**

**Sec. 21-72. Fence requirements.**

- (a) No fence of any description shall be erected nearer to the front lot line than the front of the house on the lot or, in the case of a vacant lot, nearer to the front lot line than that point on the lot where a house could be located when and if built, except as follows: in the case where a house is built closer to the setback limit than a house immediately abutting, then the house further away from the front street may extend the side yard fence to a point equal to the extent of the abutting front yard fence which extends further toward the street. In no case can a side yard fence extend closer to the right-of-way than the setback limit. In the case of a corner lot no fence shall be erected nearer to the side street line than the side street setback line for that particular lot. In those instances on a corner lot in which the front of the house faces the side street lot line, then the section of fence that faces the front lot line shall not be located any closer to the front lot line than 15 feet. The maximum height of such fence shall be eight feet, except that on a corner lot, the height of such fence that protrudes beyond the side of the house facing the side street where the fence joins the house, and that portion of the fence that runs parallel with the side street side of the lot, shall not exceed 6 feet in height. All other sections of a fence located on the lot shall not exceed the maximum height of eight feet.
- (b) Special exceptions.

Fences meeting the following criteria may be located forward of the front of the house but not forward of the front lot line. ~~The Board of Adjustment~~ The City Manager or his

designee will determine if the criteria listed below have been met in accordance with Section 20-108 of the Code of Ordinances.

1. The fence shall be decorative or ornamental in design and match the overall architectural style of the principal structure. No chain link, wire, wooden panel or picket fence shall qualify for a special exception. The design of the fence must be brick, stone or stucco columns joined by metal panels. The metal panels must be less than thirty-three percent (33%) opaque.
2. Landscaping must be installed on the street side of the fence in such a manner as to shield the metal panels from view within three (3) years from the date of construction. Plant material must consist of ornamental shrubs which grow to a height of five (5) to six (6) feet under normal conditions (Recommended species are included in Table 1. Other species with similar attributes may be utilized).
3. The maximum height of the fence panels shall not exceed six (6) feet in height; however, columns may be up to ten (10) feet high. The height measurement will be taken from grade.
4. The minimum distance between columns shall be eight (8) feet. The maximum distance between columns shall be fifteen (15) feet.
5. The property owner must demonstrate the existence of a public safety concern, such as trespassing that frequently occurs about his property which would be significantly mitigated by construction or erection of a fence contemplated in this subsection (b).
6. Any fence that utilizes a gate or similar device to restrict access to the driveway shall be equipped with a rapid entry system as specified in Section 21-265.
7. The decision by the City Manager or designee that the aforementioned criteria have been or have not been met may be appealed to the Board of Adjustment. The procedures for appeal shall follow the procedures specified in Chapter 20, Article II, Division 7. Appeals.

## **SECTION 2: SEVERABILITY**

It is not the intent of this Ordinance to supersede or conflict with any law, rule, or regulation that has been reserved to or is preempted by laws, rules, and regulations of the State of Florida. If any section, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way effect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. Further, in the event that any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court

of competent jurisdiction, then it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Gulf Breeze4 City Council that this Ordinance be construed to the fullest extent possible in a manner that is valid and constitutional and excepting only such portions of this Ordinance that are necessary in order for the remaining portions hereof to be valid and lawful.

**SECTION 3: CONFLICT**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed to control and prevail over any ordinance or portion thereof in conflict with the terms herein.

**SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE**

This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Gulf Breeze.

PASSED ON FIRST READING ON THE 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2010.

PUBLISHED ON THE      DAY OF MAY, 2010.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THE SECOND READING ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2010.

CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA

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BEVERLY H. ZIMMERN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

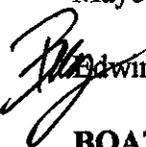
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MARITA RHODES, CITY CLERK



# City of Gulf Breeze

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

April 8, 2010

TO: Mayor and City Council  
FROM:  Edwin A. Eddy, City Manager  
SUBJ: BOAT RAMP FEES

In recent years, revenue from the sale of annual permits to use the City's boat ramps and the payment of daily launch fees have resulted in adequate revenue to cover the costs associated with collecting fees and keeping Shoreline South cleaned up. Results are as follows:

2006 - \$28,215	2007 - \$39,570
2008 - \$56,881	2009 - \$69,885
2010 to date \$10,000	

(Boat ramp permit sales really only began last weekend)

Councilman Morris asked about a discount or rebate for City residents. The concept is that these individuals pay ad valorem taxes for park maintenance and other services and are, therefore, due a discount or rebate. One question is: How many annual permits have we sold and how many of these went to City residents? Here are some results:

- \* Since 2008, we have receipts for issuance of 2,345 annual boat ramp permits.
- \* No addresses were recorded for 1,352 of these. (57%)
- \* Addresses inside the City were recorded for 159. (6.7%)
- \* Addresses outside the City were recorded for 834. (35.3%)

A portion of the "no address" group would need to be assigned to the "inside the City" group in order to get a clear picture of the impact a discount or rebate would have on overall revenue. If one-third of the 1,352 are inside the City - (450) then the total impact of a \$10 rebate is:

$$159 + 450 = 609 \times \$10 = \$6,090$$

Boat Ramp Fees  
April 8, 2010  
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We would recommend that a discount or rebate be made by charging \$50 for all annual passes. All addresses would be recorded. A \$10 rebate or discount from the next water bill would be processed with a notation on the water bill that the discount was given due to the purchase of an annual boat ramp permit. In this way, the individual at the ramp would charge everyone \$50. The processing of the rebate would come later. A transfer of funds to the water and sewer fund equal to the number of rebates given would be made as necessary for accounting purposes.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That the City Council direct staff to prepare a Resolution regarding a \$10 rebate on the purchase of an annual boat ramp permit paid on the next water bill.**



# City of Gulf Breeze

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

April 8, 2010

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM:  Edwin A. Eddy, City Manager

SUBJ: AMENDMENT/REWRITE OF CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Most of the discussion at the March 31, 2010 workshop and the April 5 Public Hearing on the draft of the rewrite of the City's Comprehensive Plan centered on commercial/economic development and the height of buildings. It is clear that the issue of a balanced economic base (retail-service-medical-office) makes sense to most people. In a small geographic area, however, the inclusion of diverse land use categories can create friction

One issue raised by commercial property owners is flexibility. The owner wants to be able to respond to an inquiry for a particular type of commercial use quickly. On the other hand, citizens want to have an idea of what can happen on a nearby parcel with a degree of certainty.

Our draft of the Future Land Use Map changed the future land use of the Live Oak Plaza from Commercial to Research Technology. Redevelopment, over the next several years, may require the uses to be partly commercial and partly RT for the financial survival of the center.

One way to resolve this issue is to modify the text of the Comp Plan to grant RT (or MT) uses to all commercial property. Levels of service would not be impacted if an office use moved to an out parcel at the Live Oak Shopping Center next to What-a-Burger as opposed to a use currently allowed in commercial.

If the owner is seeking approval of a building in excess of 35 feet, then certain criteria would have to be met:

- The new building would have to be (at least) a certain distance from the nearest residential structure such that the impact of the new building is no more than a 35 foot tall building is at current code. The further away the new building is from the nearest residential, the more height can be requested to a maximum of 60 feet. (This concept would be spelled out in the Land Development Code.)

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- Such a request for building height would only be considered for RT or MT occupancy on property with commercial, medical or professional land use.

- The Council would have to be satisfied that the individuals who own the building are doing their best to use the building for jobs which pay at least 1.5 times the median income for Santa Rosa County.

The time frame for a rewrite of the Comprehensive Plan involves two (2) advertised Public Hearings prior to transmittal of the plan to the State Department of Community Affairs (DCA). DCA coordinates a state agency review of the draft plan that can take up to six (6) months.

There may be a considerable number of plan amendments from other agencies transmitted to DCA between now and November. Therefore, it makes sense to concentrate our efforts on completing the process as soon as possible.

April - Workshops to provide added direction to staff for re-draft.

May - Public Hearings and transmittal.

October - November - Receive comments from DCA. Prepare ordinance for approval. Two Public Hearings required.



# *City of Gulf Breeze*

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

April 8, 2010

TO: Mayor and City Council  
FROM:  Edwin A. Eddy, City Manager  
SUBJ: UNDERGROUND WIRING

As we have advertised the rewrite of the City's Comprehensive Plan recently, a number of individuals have indicated renewed desire for converting existing aerial electric utility lines to underground particularly in the commercial corridor. We have had conversations with Gulf Power on this topic over the years. It may be worthwhile to obtain a plan, possibly in phases, and a cost estimate on such a project.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That the City Council direct staff to meet with Gulf Power regarding development of a plan and cost estimates for converting aerial electric lines to underground.**



April 1, 2010

Dear Government Official:

Mediacom continues to offer state-of-the-art telecommunication services to our customers. Unfortunately, certain operating costs continue to rise, especially in the areas of programming, fuel and technology improvements. As a result, it is necessary to adjust certain cable service rates, effective on or about May 7, 2010. The specific changes are outlined below:

Service	Old Rate	New Rate	Increase
Directory Assistance	\$1.75	\$2.50	\$0.75
Voicemail	\$4.95	\$5.95	\$1.00
Digital Plus Pkg	\$10.00	\$12.00	\$2.00
HBO ala carte	\$14.95	\$16.95	\$2.00
Digital Video Recorder Service	\$9.95	\$10.95	\$1.00

Additionally, there will be a \$2.00 increase adjustment made on packages that include HBO as well as a \$1.00 increase on all late fees.

Mediacom has made the decision to replace HD Net and HD Net Movies with Smithsonian HD on channel 850 and MGM HD on channel 851 in the HD Pak effective at the end of April 2010. The Smithsonian HD will be located on the same channel number as HD Net and MGM HD will be on the same channel number as HD Net Movies. We believe that customers will enjoy these popular new channels.

We take our responsibility seriously as the preferred provider of cable television, high-speed Internet and phone service in your community. As we manage rising programming and operating costs, we're committed to giving our customers superior value through discounted pricing available when our cable service is bundled with our high-speed Internet and/or phone services.

If there are any questions please call me at 850-934-2572.

Sincerely,

*Barbara S. Bonowicz*

Barbara S. Bonowicz  
Government Relations