

1 **MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING** of the City Council of the City of Orange City, Florida, held
2 on Tuesday, June 13, 2006, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 201 N. Holly Avenue, Orange City.

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4 **CALL TO ORDER**

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6 The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Erwin and roll call was taken.

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8 **ROLL CALL**

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10 PRESENT: Mayor Albert T. Erwin; Vice Mayor Chuck Abell; Council Members Jim Mahoney, Tony
11 Yebba, Joelle R. DeVane, and Jeff H. Allebach; City Manager John McCue; City Clerk
12 Deborah Renner.

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14 ABSENT: Council Member Donald C. Sherrill

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16 **1. DISCUSS RESPONSES TO AUDITOR RFP:**

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18 Mayor Erwin noted that Council had been provided with a copy of the two proposals that had been received
19 from the RFP for auditing services. One of the proposals was from the current firm, Greene Dycus, and the
20 other from James Moore and Company.

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22 Mayor Erwin said that the two proposals were very similar except that under the relationship with the
23 current auditor, the City prepares all of its own statements and the auditor verifies them. James Moore
24 collects the raw data and produces the statements. The cost estimate from James Moore is \$13,000 over that
25 from Greene Dycus. The Mayor expressed his disappointment that only two proposals were received, and
26 noted that Port Orange had recently advertised for bids and only received three proposals.

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28 Mayor Erwin outlined the options available to Council as readvertising the RFP, selecting one of the two
29 proposals that had been received, or conduct interviews with the two firms. The Mayor spoke in support of
30 renewing the contract with Greene Dycus. Council Member Yebba concurred, as did Council Member
31 Abell.

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33 Mayor Erwin stated, "I guess the next step is to get a contract put together for Greene Dycus and bring it
34 forward at the next meeting for approval."

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36 Council Member Mahoney noted that James Moore was proposing a "second partner review" and suggested
37 that may contribute to the additional cost. He said that James Moore's proposal seemed to have more
38 emphasis on the data and questioned whether that meant that they would be doing more extensive sampling.
39 Mayor Erwin responded that with Greene Dycus, the City prepares the statements and they verify the
40 figures.

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42 Mr. McCue explained that the auditor often requires correcting journal entries on past financials. He said
43 that the difference between the two auditors is that James Moore actually makes the journal entries into the
44 computer on the City's financial system while with Greene Dycus, the City does them. He stated, "It's
45 really that level of detail that we're talking about." Mr. McCue said that a second partner review is required
46 of all firms by generally accepted accounting principals. He said that a lot of firms aren't doing public
47 auditing anymore because new GASBE requirements don't make it that lucrative anymore. Mr. McCue

1 advised that he has worked with James Moore before and that they come in and do all of the work up to and
2 including the journal entries and that is the difference between them and Greene Dycus. Council Member
3 Mahoney questioned how Greene Dycus knows that the entries have been made. Mr. McCue responded that
4 staff prints them out and the auditor then “goes over them with a fine tooth comb.”
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6 Mayor Erwin observed that it was the consensus of Council to retain Greene Dycus as the City’s auditor,
7 noting that the price they proposed was the same as last year.
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9 Mr. McCue said that the contract contains an automatic renewal clause for an additional three years,
10 therefore a new contract is not needed.
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12 **2. ADJOURNMENT**

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14 There being no further business, Mayor Erwin adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.
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19 **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

APPROVED ON

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22 Deborah J. Renner, CMC
23 City Clerk
