

Tuesday - March 30, 1999

East Asheville Community Center

906 Tunnel Road

7:00 p.m. - Community Meeting

Present: Mayor Leni Sitnick, Presiding; Vice-Mayor Edward C. Hay Jr.; Councilman M. Charles Cloninger; Councilman Earl Cobb; Councilwoman Barbara Field; Councilman Thomas G. Sellers; and Councilman O.T. Tomes; City Attorney Robert W. Oast Jr.; City Manager James L. Westbrook Jr.; and Deputy City Clerk Phyllis Corns

Absent: None

The following topics were raised by residents and addressed by City Council and City staff: I-26 connector; speeding problems on Crockett Road and Whitson Road; trash problems in the Crockett Road area and on the bank near the Asheville Mall between the Mall and Lowe's; who is responsible for maintaining the culverts on US 70 to South Tunnel Road; the public needs to be educated about recycling in that items are put out from recycling and then are scattered by the wind; there is a deep ravine on Cisco Road near the City limit where old appliances had been dumped; support of the Parks, Recreation and Greenways bond referendum; speeding on the

the exit ramp from I-240 onto Tunnel Road (heading east toward the Dept. of Motor Vehicles);

what can be done to improve the appearance of the grounds of the East Asheville Community Center; there needs to be an amendment to the sign ordinance to permit community oriented directional signs in neighborhoods; what can be done to enforce the junked car ordinance, especially on Cisco Road; businesses and fast food establishments need to be encouraged to participate in the litter campaign; has the City looked at what the additional costs are for each new park, especially in terms of more Police Department patrols due to the crime parks often become a haven for; what does ADA stand for; and danger of posting signs on poles.

Councilman Cobb spoke on the importance of efforts to collect litter/trash in the Asheville area and the need to target businesses.

Mayor Sitnick advised she has asked the City Attorney to draft a cigarette butt ordinance.

Mayor Sitnick adjourned the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

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