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WORK SESSION of the Greenbelt City Council held Monday, October 1, 2007, for the purpose of holding a stakeholder meeting with the Roosevelt Center merchants and providing a briefing on security cameras at Roosevelt Center.

Mayor Davis started the meeting at 8:04 p.m. It was held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

PRESENT WERE: Councilmembers Konrad E. Herling, Leta M. Mach, Edward V.J. Putens, Rodney M. Roberts and Mayor Judith F. Davis.

STAFF PRESENT WERE: Michael P. McLaughlin, City Manager; James Craze, Police Chief, David Buerger, Police Lieutenant; George Mathews, Master Police Officer; Thomas Moreland, Police Corporal; Dale Worley, IT Manager; Brian Kennell, IT Engineer and David E. Moran, Assistant City Manager.

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Dorrie Bates, Co-Op Supermarket; Cindy Comproni, Greenbelt Federal Credit Union; Linda Ivy, Greenbelt Professional Building; Kim Kash, Greenbelt Om; Amber Thompson, Curves; Sandy Irving, Greenbelt Arts Center; Kelly Ivy; and Anthony Glenn, The Diamondback

Mayor Davis worked from a list of items that had been raised at a recent Roosevelt Center Merchants Association (RCMA) meeting. The first issue was changes to trash collection procedures. Ms. Bates responded that there had been some misinformation circulating on the listserve and that this was now a non-issue. Mayor Davis announced the upcoming Shred-It day and thanked the Credit Union for their sponsorship of this activity.

Next, the issue of skateboarders in the Roosevelt Center was discussed. Ms. Ivy noted that skateboarders were using the rear parking lot and expressed concern for their safety. It was also noted they skateboard near Curves.

Mr. Roberts asked if skateboarding was illegal. MPO Mathews responded that it was not unless the skateboarder posed a safety hazard. Corporal Moreland noted that the skate park was very popular. He indicated that officers were trying to educate the skateboarders about where not to skateboard.

Next, public safety was discussed. Ms. Comproni noted that she had heard positive comments from residents about the increased police presence. Ms. Bates responded that the Co-Op was very pleased with the increased police presence.

There was discussion of the Old Greenbelt Neighborhood Watch. Officer Matthews responded that they were still active and engaged. Ms. Ivy believed that some of the problems had shifted to other locations since the cameras were installed. Ms. Kash stated that it was quieter at Roosevelt

Center.

Mr. Herling asked about an intern to help market Roosevelt Center. Ms. Kash responded that it was something the RCMA was pursuing.

## Briefing on Roosevelt Center Cameras

A live demonstration on the new surveillance cameras at Roosevelt Center was presented. City staff demonstrated the various features, including playback of recorded images, and responded to questions.

The meeting ended at 9:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, David E. Moran Assistant City Manager