

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

321 WALNUT STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA
TUESDAY, APRIL 05, 2022 – 7:00 PM



MINUTES

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag - **Pastor Christian Pope, GCSPD & Springs Chapel**

Roll Call

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ed Gaw, Vice Mayor Matt Johnson, Council Member Connie Butler, Council Member Steven Kelley, Council Member Van Royal

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: L.J. Arnold, III, City Attorney, Steve Kennedy, City Manager, Assistant City Manager, Mike Null, Erin West, City Clerk

Mayor to call on members of the audience wishing to address the Council on matters not on the Agenda.

1. Alan Stevenson 3691 Winged Foot Circle GCS, speaks to the Council concerning the City noise ordinance and an event that happened at Magnolia Point Golf and Country Club on March 26, 2022.

Commander Hines from Green Cove Springs Police Department speaks to the Council concerning the enforcement of specific ordinances.

Mayor Gaw advises the Police Department, City Manager, and City Attorney will look into enforcing ordinances.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

1. Swearing-In *Mayor Gaw*

Chief Guzman

Mayor Gaw swears-in Chief John Guzman

Chief Guzman speaks about his experience and excitement to be Police Chief.

2. Swearing-In *Chief Guzman*

Commander Luedtke

Sergeant Vineyard

Chief Guzman swears-in Commander Luedtke and Sergeant Vineyard.

3. Proclamation - Water Conservation Month

Council Member Kelley reads the proclamation and presents to representatives from the Clay County Soil and Water Conservation District Board.

PRESENTATIONS

4. Presentation - May Mann Jennings *Theresa Crockett*
Theresa Crockett with the General Federation of Women's Clubs Florida speaks to the Council concerning May Mann Jennings and getting Ms. Jennings voted into the Women's Hall of Fame by Governor DeSantis.
Council advises staff to create a proclamation and have a letter signed in support of getting Ms. Jennings into the Hall of Fame.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Passage of Ordinance No. O-10-2022 on second and final reading to authorize the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Program for Code Violation Abatement and Recovery of City Costs. *L.J. Arnold, III*
City Attorney Arnold reads Ordinance No. O-10-2022 by title and presents to the Council.
Mayor Gaw opens the public hearing.
Following no public comment, Mayor Gaw closes the public hearing.
Council Member Royal speaks concerning the enforcement board wording.

Motion to approve Ordinance No. O-10-2022 on second and final reading with dropping the wording about enforcement boards.

Motion made by Council Member Royal, Seconded by Council Member Butler.
Voting Yea: Mayor Gaw, Vice Mayor Johnson, Council Member Butler, Council Member Kelley, Council Member Royal

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters under the consent agenda are considered to be routine by the city council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion on these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately. Backup documentation and staff recommendations have been previously submitted to the city council on these items.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda items 6 through 15.

Motion made by Council Member Butler, Seconded by Vice Mayor Johnson.
Voting Yea: Mayor Gaw, Vice Mayor Johnson, Council Member Butler, Council Member Kelley, Council Member Royal

6. City Council approval of, and authorization for the City Manager to execute, a Professional Services Agreement with Planet Swim, LLC *Steve Kennedy*
7. City Council approval of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, Disbursement Request #11, in the amount of \$677,329.06 for construction of the Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant (AWWTP), as part of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), State Revolving Fund (SRF), Harbor Road Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) Expansion, Phase 2, SRF Agreement No. WW1000420 in the total amount of \$15,426,644.33. Note: This request returns funds to the Wastewater CIP budget. *Scott Schultz*

8. City Council approval of the National Public Service Week Proclamation. *Erin West*
9. City Council approval of Minutes from 2/15/2022 Regular Session and 1/18/2022, 2/1/2022 Special Sessions. *Erin West*
10. City Council approval of Change Order #2 to Contract Number LC 2020-17 Chapman Substation Construction to Terry's Electric in the additive amount of \$28,285.00, bringing the new total contract amount to \$982,905.17. *Andy Yeager*
11. City Council approval of the Police Memorial Proclamation. *Erin West*
12. City Council approval of, and authorization for the mayor to execute, Modification #2, which extends the expiration date from February 28, 2022 to May 31, 2022, and adds \$14,277.50 to the contract total, for installation of generators as part of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Federally-Funded Subaward and Grant Agreement # H0297 / Project Number 4337-217-R. This project includes 75% grant funding from HMGP. *Scott Schultz*
13. City Council approval of CAC Minutes for 2.10.2022. *Kimberly Thomas*
14. City Council approval of Emergency Home Energy Assistance Program (EHEAP) Vendor Payment Agreement with Aging True. *Erin West*
15. City Council review and approval of street closure requests, alcohol area request, and fee waiver requests for a Major Event, CalaVida Festival. *Michael Daniels*

COUNCIL BUSINESS

16. FMPA - April 2022 *Bob Page*
Mr. Page gave an overview of the April 2022 report.
17. First Reading of Ordinance No. O-05-2022, Set User Fees for City Furnished Barricades at Events and Related Issues. *L.J. Arnold, III, Steve Thomas*
City Attorney Arnold reads Ordinance No. O-05-2022 by title.
Assistant Public Works Director, Steve Thomas explains the purpose of the ordinance to the Council.
Mayor Gaw asks Mr. Thomas if other cities are implementing barricade fees.
Mr. Thomas advises that he will look to see what other cities are charging
Council Member Butler questions who determines how many barricades are needed.
Mr. Thomas advises the Public Works Department, the Police Department or the event can request the number of barricades.

Motion to approve Ordinance No. O-05-2022 on first reading as to form only with the report coming back from the Assistant Public Works Director.

Motion made by Council Member Butler, Seconded by Council Member Kelley.

Voting Yea: Mayor Gaw, Vice Mayor Johnson, Council Member Butler, Council Member Kelley, Council Member Royal

18. Lien Reduction Request For 481 Olive Cir. *Michael Daniels*

Code Enforcement Officer, Ben Plourd explains the lien to the Council and advises the shed has already been removed from the property and the new owner has cleaned up and is maintaining the property.

City Attorney Arnold advises the mortgage has a foreclosure and explains how it works when a lien is recorded after the foreclosure has started.

Council discussion follows.

Motion to approve satisfying the lien of \$17,650 on the property at 481 Olive Cir.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Johnson, Seconded by Council Member Royal.

Voting Yea: Mayor Gaw, Vice Mayor Johnson, Council Member Butler, Council Member Kelley, Council Member Royal

19. City Council Reports / Correspondence

The City Manager and City Attorney made comments regarding various city activities, events, operations, and projects.

City Manager, Steve Kennedy speaks to the Council concerning an update to the ARPA funding and advises the City can now take a standard allowance for revenue replacement.

Emergency motion to accept the City Managers proposal of reporting our expenditures as revenue replacement and within the next meeting to revisit the capital projects or projects that are underway for possible reallocation at a future date.

Motion made by Council Member Royal, Seconded by Council Member Butler.

Voting Yea: Mayor Gaw, Vice Mayor Johnson, Council Member Butler, Council Member Kelley, Council Member Royal

City Manager, Steve Kennedy speaks to the Council about working with the Wood Group on the River Project. Mr. Kennedy advises the agreement with the scope is satisfactory and requests authorizing Mr. Kennedy to execute the agreement pending every concern relative to the agreement being worked out.

Emergency motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Wood Group for the River Project.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Johnson, Seconded by Council Member Royal.

Voting Yea: Mayor Gaw, Vice Mayor Johnson, Council Member Butler, Council Member Kelley, Council Member Royal

20. City Manager & City Attorney Reports / Correspondence

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

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Edward R. Gaw, Mayor

Attest:

Erin West, City Clerk