

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

321 WALNUT STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA
TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2023 – 7:00 PM



MINUTES

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – **Scott Springs Chapel**

Roll Call

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

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

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

1. Linda Hobbs 1092 Buccaneer Blvd. GCS speaks to the Council concerning giving your name and address when speaking to the Council. Ms. Hobbs also speaks concerning the Code Enforcement Officer.
2. Rick Ott 1110 St. Johns Ave. GCS thanks Mr. Kennedy for addressing some concerns they spoke about. Mainly the riprap including the safety issue, the clean up around the footbridge, and the abandoned boats.
3. Joe Sobotta 212 North St. GCS speaks concerning the riprap and the cleaning around the footbridge and leaving the river alone.

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.

Vice Mayor Butler pulled item 4, Council Member Kelley pulled item 5, and City Manager Steve Kennedy pulled item 10.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda items 1 through 18 minus 4, 5, and 10.

Motion made by Council Member Smith, Seconded by Vice Mayor Butler.

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

1. City Council approval of Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the 2023 Municipal Election. *Erin West*
2. City Council approval of, and authorization for the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk to execute Amendment 2 to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), State Revolving Fund (SRF), Agreement No. WW1000420, extending the construction completion

date to March 15, 2024, and adding certain records retention and audit requirements, for construction of the Harbor Road Advanced Wastewater Treatment Facility (HRAWWTF). *Scott Schultz*

3. City Council approval of the agreement with Evans Media Source. *Kimberly Thomas*
4. City Council approval of Resolution No. R-05-2023, requesting the reduction of permit fees by St. Johns River Water Management District and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. *Steve Thomas*
Vice Mayor Butler asks if the wording should be less than.
Assistant City Manager Mike Null advises it will be looked at and corrected.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda item 4 with the corrected wording.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Butler, Seconded by Council Member Smith.

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

5. City Council approval of Purchase Order of \$20,000 for the Temporary Building Official, Plan Review and Inspection Services with Universal Engineering Services, LLC. *Michael Daniels*
Council Member Kelley asks Development Services Director Michael Daniels how he thinks this will affect the timing of items being processed.
Mr. Daniels advises it should not change the timing of items being processed.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda item 5.

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

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

6. City Council approval of the Public Service Recognition Week Proclamation. *Erin West*
7. City Council approval of the National Police Week Proclamation. *Erin West*
8. City Council approval of the Municipal Clerks Week Proclamation. *Erin West*
9. City Council approval of Pay Application #7 from EltonAlan, Inc. for construction of the Palmetto Trail Project in the amount of \$143,735.47 from the amended contract amount of \$1,546,336.05, leaving a balance of \$661,969.97. *Mike Null*

10. City Council approval of the revised CRA Interlocal Agreement. *Michael Daniels*
City Manager Steve Kennedy updates the Council on the CRA and advises he would like this item held from the agenda while some items were still be worked out.

Motion to delay Consent Agenda item 10 until further notice.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Butler, Seconded by Council Member Smith.

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

11. City Council approval of, and authorization for the Mayor to execute, the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD), Cost Share Agreement Contract # 36028, Contract

Amendment #4 moving the construction completion date of the Harbor Road Water Reclamation Facility Phase 2 Project from May 31, 2023 to September 28, 2023. *Scott Schultz*

12. City Council approval of the purchase of underground electric cable for inventory from American Wire Group in the amount of \$162,200.00 and Gresco in the amount of \$111,760.00 for a total amount of \$273,960.00. Staff are still working with other vendors on lead times and request the ability to amend the purchase if in the best interest of the city. *Scott Schultz*
13. City Council approval of, and authorization for the mayor to execute, Modification #1 to HMGP / FDEM Contract # 4283-55-A, Governors Creek Hardening Project, Utility Mitigation Phase II, with an award to the City of \$502,500.00 (75%) of the total project cost of \$670,000.00 to move the electric transmission lines crossing Governors Creek along US17 from overhead to underground. This modification extends the project timeline to March 31, 2026. *Mike Null*
14. City Council approval of Emergency Home Energy Assistance Program (EHEAP) Vendor Payment Agreement with Clay County Senior Services of Aging True. *Erin West*
15. City Council approval of 2/21/2023 Regular Session Minutes. *Erin West*
16. City Council approval of Amendment #2 to contracts with Patterson & Dewar and Toco Engineering for engineering services under Bid LC 2021-04 covering the period from April 21, 2023 through April 20, 2024. *Mike Null*
17. City Council approval of Amendment #2 to contracts for each of CHW, CPH, Jones Edmunds, Mittauer, Toco Engineering, and WGI for engineering services under Bid LC 2021-02 covering the period from April 21, 2023 through April 20, 2024. *Mike Null*
18. 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

19. City Manager & City Attorney Reports / Correspondence
The City Manager and City Attorney made comments regarding various city activities, events, operations, and projects.

City Manager Steve Kennedy advises the bids have come back in for the Form Base Code. Development Services Director Michael Daniels speaks to the Council concerning the bids and creating a selection committee. He would like to include one Council Member.
Council Member Kelley advises he would be willing to be on the FBC Committee
20. City Council Reports / Correspondence
The City Council made comments regarding various city activities, events, operations, and projects.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

Daniel M. Johnson, Mayor

Attest:

Erin West, City Clerk