

# CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS

## CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION - BUDGET

321 WALNUT STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 03, 2023 – 8:00 AM



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### MINUTES

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Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – **Mayor Butler**

Roll Call

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Connie Butler, Vice Mayor Steven Kelley, Council Member Ed Gaw, Council Member Matt Johnson (Arrived at 10:00 a.m.), 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. Van Royal 3688 LaCosta Ct. GCS speaks to the Council about leadership and being elected by the residents to lead the city. Mr. Royal speaks about being a champion for the city and being a champion for projects.

### COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. Overview of the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 budget. **L. Steve Kennedy**  
City Manager Steve Kennedy gives an overview of the budget for fiscal year 2023/2024 and updates on the current projects.
2. a. Electric Utility Fund  
Electric Director, Andy Yeager explains the electric budget and discusses suggestions given to him from the electric employees, including salaries.
- b. Water Utility Fund  
Assistant City Manager, Mike Null explains the Water Utility Fund.  
Assistant Water Utilities Director, Scott Schultz introduces the staff present from the Water department and explains the Water Capital.
- c. Wastewater Utility Fund  
Mr. Null explains the Wastewater Utility Fund.  
Mr. Schultz explains the Water Capital.
- d. Reclaimed Water Fund  
Mr. Null explains the Reclaimed Water Fund.
- e. Solid Waste Fund  
Mr. Null explains the Solid Waste Fund.  
Field Supervisor Greg Bauer explains the Solid Waste Capital.

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- f. Stormwater Fund
    - Mr. Null explains the Stormwater Fund.
    - Mr. Bauer explains the Stormwater Capital.
  - g. Customer Service Fund
    - Mr. Null explains the Customer Service Fund.
3. A. General Fund Revenues
- B. General Fund Expenditures
- a. City Council
    - City Clerk, Erin West gives an overview of the budget items.
  - b. City Clerk
    - Ms. West gives an overview of the budget items.
  - c. City Manager
    - Mr. Kennedy gives an overview of the budget items.
  - d. Human Resources
    - Human Resources Director Dee Jones gives an overview of the budget items and speaks about a new pay study and the step plan program.
  - e. Augusta Savage Arts & Community Center
    - Mr. Null and Mr. Bauer give an overview of the budget items.
  - f. Finance
    - Mr. Null gives an overview of the budget items.
  - g. Information Technology
    - Director of IT Services, Angel Alicea gives an overview of the budget items.
  - h. General Services
    - Mr. Kennedy gives an overview of the budget items and speaks about Food Truck Friday and the 150<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration.
  - i. City Attorney
    - City Attorney, Jim Arnold gives an overview of the budget items.
  - j. Development Services
    - Development Services Director, Mike Daniels gives an overview of the budget items.
  - k. Code Enforcement
    - Mr. Daniels gives an overview of the budget items.
  - l. Police
    - Commander Hines gives an overview of the budget items and updates on hiring and the retirement plan.

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m. Public Works/Streets

Mr. Null and Mr. Bauer give an overview of the budget items.

n. Right-of-Way Maintenance

Mr. Null and Mr. Bauer give an overview of the budget items.

o. Parks

Mr. Null and Mr. Bauer give an overview of the budget items.

p. Parks and Recreation Programming

Mr. Null and Mr. Bauer give an overview of the budget items.

q. Equipment Maintenance

Mr. Null and Mr. Bauer give an overview of the budget items.

4. a. Police Building Debt Service

Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Null overview of the budget items.

b. Spring Park Debt Service

Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Null overview of the budget items.

5. a. Building Fund

Mr. Daniels gives an overview of the Special Revenue Building budget items.

b. Law Enforcement Trust Fund

Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Null overview of the Special Revenue Law Enforcement Trust budget items.

Council discussion followed concerning discussion of the Rivers House and the millage rate. A Special Session is set for August 15, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the Rivers House and millage rate.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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Constance W. Butler, Mayor

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Erin West, City Clerk