

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

321 WALNUT STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA
TUESDAY, JANUARY 02, 2024 – 7:00 PM



MINUTES

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – **Bob Page**

Roll Call

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Connie Butler, Vice Mayor Steven Kelley, Council Member Ed Gaw, Council Member Matt Johnson, 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.
No comments

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

1. Proclamation - Martin Luther King, Jr Day
Vice Mayor Kelley reads and presents the proclamation to Mayor Butler.
Mayor Butler advises she will present the proclamation at the MLK Ceremony on January 15, 2024.

PRESENTATIONS

2. FMPA - January 2024 **Bob Page**
Mr. Bob Page presents the January FMPA report.

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 3 through 7.

Motion made by Council Member Smith, Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

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

3. City Council approval of Resolution No. R-01-2024, a Resolution canceling and rescheduling the regularly scheduled meetings of the Green Cove Springs City Council. **Erin West**
4. City Council approval of the Arbor Day Proclamation. **Erin West**

5. City Council approval of the Black History Month Proclamation. *Erin West*
6. City Council approval of subgrant agreement # Z3996 with FDEM for FEMA reimbursements related to Hurricane Idalia. *Mike Null*
7. City Council approval of execution of Construction and Maintenance Agreement (CMA) with FDOT to construct brick crosswalks across Orange Ave at Walnut Street and approval of Resolution R-02- 2024. *Mike Null*

COUNCIL BUSINESS

8. Approval of Takeover Agreement (“TA”) between City and Sompo International Companies (“Sompo” or “Surety”) which provides terms and conditions relative to completion of the Harbor Road Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion (“Project”). *L.J. Arnold III*

City Attorney Arnold presents on the Takeover Agreement and advises of a change in the agreement.

Mr. Arnold advises 7.1 references 7.4 but 7.4 was removed and moved to 6.2 in the final draft. Council discussion followed concerning the Takeover and the next steps.

Assistant Water Utilities Director Scott Schultz speaks and explains phase 1 and phase 2 of the takeover.

Motion to approve the TA and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute such agreement.

Motion made by Council Member Smith, Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

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

9. City Manager & City Attorney Reports / Correspondence
The City Manager and City Attorney made comments regarding various city activities, events, operations, and projects.
10. 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 8:20 p.m.

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

Constance W. Butler, Mayor

Attest:

Erin West, City Clerk