

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

321 WALNUT STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA
TUESDAY, MARCH 01, 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: 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. Mallory Dippy 232 Walnut St. GCS new owner of Ronnie's Wings. Ms. Dippy advises they are very interested in being part of FTF.
Council Member Royal questions the outside sale of liquor.
Sherry Starnes owner of Corner Pocket speaks and advises it can be added to the license.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

1. Recognition - McDonald's **E.J. Guzman**
Chief Guzman reads the memo about the help from McDonald's restaurant during the incident on December 4, 2021 and presents a certificate.
2. Recognition - Corner Pocket **E.J. Guzman**
Chief Guzman reads the memo about the help from Corner Pocket during the incident on December 4, 2021 and presents a certificate.
3. Recognition - Gary Lavaron **E.J. Guzman**
Chief Guzman reads a memo about the help from Gary Lavaron by providing information for an incident that happened on November 17, 2020 and presents a certificate.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. Second and final reading of ordinance O-01-2022, an ordinance proposing changes to the Central Business District permitted uses and special exceptions. **Michael Daniels**

Assistant City Manager, Mike Null reads the Ordinance by title.

Development Services Director, Michael Daniels presents on the Ordinance.

Mayor Gaw opens the public hearing.

Following no public comment, Mayor Gaw closes the public hearing.

Council discussion followed concerning outside sales and notifying business owners of the changes to the ordinance.

Motion to approve on second and final reading Ordinance No. O-01-2022, an ordinance proposing changes to the Central Business District permitted uses and special exceptions with the change concerning Section 5, Item 7 – Outdoor Sales businesses may use sidewalks adjoining and abutting them for temporary outdoor sales as an accessory use to their business, provided that outdoor sales about the building and a minimum of five feet from the face of curb to the outdoor sales area remains unobstructed, the sidewalk kept clean, and materials brought inside at the end of each business day. The accessory outdoor sales use shall be identified as part of the required business tax receipt. Businesses may use sidewalks adjoining and abutting them for sidewalk cafes, provided that a minimum of five feet of the width within the public realm remains unobstructed, nothing is permanently affixed to the sidewalk, the sidewalk is kept clean, and materials are brought inside at the end of each business day. The accessory use shall be identified as part of the required business tax receipt.

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

5. Second and final reading of O-02-2022, an ordinance proposing revisions to the list of Future Land Use Districts and FLU / Zoning Compatibility Table in the City Code. *Michael Daniels*

Assistant City Manager, Mike Null reads the Ordinance by title.

Development Services Director, Michael Daniels present on the Ordinance.

Mayor Gaw opens the public hearing.

Following no public comment, Mayor Gaw closes the public hearing.

Motion to approve on second and final reading Ordinance No. O-02-2022, amending City Code Chapter 117, Article I, Section 117-2(b) & (c).

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

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.

Council Member Butler pulled item 10.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 6 through 11 minus 10.

Motion made by Council Member Kelley, 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 mayor to execute, Contract Modification #1, extending the agreement expiration date from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2022, for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), Federally-Funded Subaward and Grant Agreement #

H0297 / Project Number 4337-218-R, improvements to sewage Lift Station # 318. This project includes 75% grant funding from HMGP. **Scott Schultz**

7. City Council approval to purchase water and wastewater treatment chemicals from Hawkins Inc. through 9/30/2022 to bring the contract in alignment with our fiscal year and to see if pricing and availability stabilizes. **Scott Schultz**
8. City Council approval of Pay Application #2 (Final) in the amount of \$19,789.25 to General Underground for water service line replacement in the Cove Subdivision. **Scott Schultz**
9. City Council approval to surplus Bucket Truck #431, a 1998 GMC 7500 “Top Kick” that has reached the end of its service life. **Scott Schultz**
10. City Council review and approval of a Major Event, FFC-MVPA 2022 Winter Rally & Swap Meet, a waiver of \$25,000 bond requirement, and a reduction of the event permit fee. **Michael Daniels**

Eric Leirvik 1313 Lee Rd. St. Johns County acting President/Vice President of the Florida MVPA speaks and advises this will be the 3rd event in Green Cove Springs. There will be 11 tanks and reenactments will be on Saturday and Sunday at 1:00pm.

Council Member Butler advises she pulled this item to recognize the 2022 Winter Rally & Swap Meet event.

Motion to approve the rally and swap meet waiving the \$25,000 bond fee and the permit fee.

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

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

11. City Council review and approval of a temporary street closure for a portion of Walnut Street abutting School Board property for County's Vietnam Veterans Ceremony. **Michael Daniels**

COUNCIL BUSINESS

12. FMPA - March 2022 **Bob Page**

Mr. Page gave an overview of the March 2022 report.

13. City Council appointment of Canvassing Board Members for the April 12, 2022 Municipal Election. **Erin West**

City Clerk, Erin West advises there needs to be three canvassing board members selected and due to Council Member Kelley being a candidate, he cannot be on the board.

It is decided that Mayor Gaw, Vice Mayor Johnson and Council Member Butler will be on the canvassing board with Council Member Royal as the alternate.

14. City Manager & City Attorney Reports / Correspondence

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

15. 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 9:31 p.m.

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

Edward R. Gaw, Mayor

Attest:

Erin West, City Clerk