

**CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 2021-2180**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO ADD A NEW SECTION NUMBER 86-110.16 TO ARTICLE III, CHAPTER 86, WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE PERMANENT CLOSING OF ALL OF THAT PORTION OF NW RIDGE STREET LYING IN BLOCK 122 OF THE NORTHERN DIVISION OF THE CITY; FINDING THAT THE STREET WAS ABANDONED BY THE CITY; FINDING THAT THE CLOSING OF THE ROADWAY WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE; FINDING THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CITY AND FOR THE GENERAL WELFARE OF ITS CITIZENS TO CLOSE THE ROADWAY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION INTO THE CITY CODE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Lake City, Florida (hereinafter the "City") desires to close, vacate, and abandon all of that portion of NW Ridge Street lying in Block 122 of the Northern Division of the City (hereinafter the "Vacated Street") and further identified in the City's map attached hereto as "Exhibit A"; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the Vacated Street is not vital to the vehicular traffic in the downtown area of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that it is proper and in the interest and welfare of the City and its citizens to close the Vacated Street to vehicular traffic to improve the downtown area of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, notice has been given, prior to adoption, to all utility companies holding franchises from the City for review and comment with respect to the permanent closing of the Vacated Street.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The Code of the City of Lake City is hereby amended by adding a section to Chapter 86, Article III, to be numbered Section 86-110.16 which section reads as follows:

**Section 86-110.16** All of that portion of NW Ridge Street lying in Block 122 of the Northern Division of the City of Lake City, Florida, the entirety of which lies to the South of Parcel 00 00 00 12160 000 as identified by the Columbia County Property Appraiser.

**Section 2.** The City finds the Vacated Street to be surplus to its needs and that it is in the public interest to close and vacate the street.

**Section 3.** The City shall convey by Quit Claim Deed to each abutting record title owner that portion of the Vacated Street to its centerline.

**Section 4.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are and the same are hereby repealed.

**Section 5.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance or the particular application thereof shall be held invalid by any court, administrative agency or other body with appropriate jurisdiction, the remaining section(s), subsection(s), sentences(s), clause(s) or phrases(s) under application shall not be affected hereby.

**Section 6.** It is the intention of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of the City of Lake City, Florida, and that the sections of this ordinance may be numbered appropriately in order to accomplish such intentions.

**Section 7.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED** upon first reading this \_\_\_\_ day of April 2021.

**NOTICE PUBLISHED** on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** on second and final reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May 2021.

**CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen M. Witt, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGALITY:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Audrey E. Sikes, City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Frederick L. Koberlein, Jr.,  
City Attorney

# **EXHIBIT A**

C. S. X. RAILROAD

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NW RAILROAD ST

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NW HILTON AVE

NW DIXIE AVE

Ridge St

NW HENDRICK WAY

NW WASHINGTON ST

WASHINGTON ST

NW MATTHEW ST

NW MATTHEW ST

NW FR

**Record of Vote on First Reading**

	For	Against	Absent	Abstain
Stephen Witt, Mayor/Council Member	_____	_____	_____/_____ ✓	_____
Chris Greene, Council Member	_____/_____ ✓	_____	_____	_____
Jake Hill, Jr., Council Member	_____/_____ ✓	_____	_____	_____
Eugene Jefferson, Council Member	_____/_____ ✓	_____	_____	_____
Todd Sampson, Council Member	_____/_____ ✓	_____	_____	_____

**Certification**

I, Audrey Sikes, City Clerk for the City of Lake City, Florida, hereby certify that the above record vote is an accurate and correct record of the votes taken on the Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Lake City.

  
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AUDREY E. SIKES, MMC  
City Clerk