

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Regular Session, on April 21, 2025, beginning at 6:00 PM, in the City Council Chambers, located at City Hall 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida. Members of the public also viewed the meeting on our YouTube Channel.

EVENTS PRIOR TO MEETING – 5:00 PM Council Workshop – Addressed questions regarding upcoming budget

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION – Vice Mayor – Council Member Chevella Young

ROLL CALL

Mayor/Council Member
City Council

Noah Walker
Chevella Young
Ricky Jernigan
James Carter
Tammy Harris
Clay Martin
Don Rosenthal
Chief Gerald Butler
Audrey Sikes

City Attorney
City Manager
Sergeant-at-Arms
City Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Carter made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PROCLAMATIONS

1. Youth Leadership Week - April 24-30, 2025

Mayor Walker presented the Youth Leadership Week Proclamation to attendees.

Befaihtful Coker spoke briefly on upcoming youth activities and reported there would be an award ceremony at The Blanche Hotel.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

- Stew Lilker
- Glenel Bowden

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

2. City Council Resolution No. 2025-054 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida adopting the evaluation and tabulation of responses to that certain Invitation to Bid Number 013-2025 for annual lime rock contract; accepting the bid from Pritchett Trucking, Inc., a Florida Corporation; approving the agreement with said vendor; making certain findings of fact in support thereof; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.

Mr. Carter made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ms. Young seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

PRESENTATIONS

3. Katie Hall, General Manager and CEO, Florida Gas Utility - Natural Gas Financial Hedging PowerPoint

Executive Director of Utilities Steve Brown introduced Katie Hall with Florida Gas Utility. Ms. Hall presented members with a PowerPoint on Financial Hedging and explained how it would keep natural gas prices low.

4. Gallagher Consulting Services for Property and Casualty Insurance (Human Resources Director, BillieJo Bible)

Justin Terry and J.D. Curls presented members with a PowerPoint on a proposal to work with the City in obtaining lower premiums for property and casualty insurance.

Mayor Walker verified the five (5) year consulting term as optional.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinances

At this time Mayor Walker closed the regular session and opened a public hearing for the purpose of hearing comments on City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2302. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2302 was read by title. Mayor Walker asked if anyone wanted to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2302. No one asked to be heard on City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2302, therefore Mayor Walker closed the public hearing.

5. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2302 (final reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending the Code of the City of Lake City, Florida, Chapter 70, Article IV, Police Officers' Pension Plan and Trust Fund; amending Section 70-96.1 to provide for payment of supplemental benefits to those receiving service incurred disability benefits and the continuation of supplemental benefits to joint annuitants prospectively; providing for severability; providing for conflicts; providing for codification; and providing for an effective date. **Mr. Carter**

made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2302 on final reading. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Carter	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

At this time Mayor Walker closed the regular session and opened a public hearing for the purpose of hearing comments on City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2304. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2304 was read by title. Mayor Walker asked if anyone wanted to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2304. No one asked to be heard on City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2304, therefore Mayor Walker closed the public hearing.

6. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2304 (final reading) - An ordinance pertaining to land development regulation fees within the City of Lake City; repealing said existing land use regulation fees established by Resolution 2019-099; establishing updated fees for land development regulation processing and review; establishing provisions regarding payment of said fees; establishing exceptions thereto for financial hardship; repealing all resolutions and ordinances in conflict; making findings of fact in support thereof; providing for severability; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2304 on final reading. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Carter	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

Other Items

7. Discussion and Possible Action: Decision on venue selection for the City to host the Northeast Florida League Dinner Meeting to be held on Thursday, December 18, 2025 (City Clerk Audrey Sikes)

Members reviewed and discussed venue options provided by the Clerk’s Office.

Mr. Jernigan made a motion to host the Northeast Florida League Dinner Meeting at the Florida Gateway Fairgrounds, with the Holiday Inn as a secondary venue. Ms. Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

8. Discussion and Possible Action: Inhouse City Attorney (City Manager Don Rosenthal)

Mr. Rosenthal reported he would like to hire an inhouse attorney and recommended members approve the contract provided in the agenda packet. He also requested for members to authorize the Mayor to negotiate on the Council's behalf.

Mr. Carter made a motion to authorize the Mayor to proceed with negotiations with someone with parameters set forth in contract document for the City Attorney Position. Ms. Harris seconded the motion.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Stew Lilker, Glenel Bowden

Mayor Walker spoke in support of Clay Martin taking the position of City Attorney.

Attorney Martin expressed his interest in the position, but reported there would be a conflict with him advising on the contract, and suggested members obtain outside counsel for that.

A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

At this time, members took a short break from 7:13 PM until 7:19 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinances

9. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2305 (first reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending Chapter 86, Article I, Section 86-2 of the City of Lake City Code of Ordinances concerning park hours; providing definitions; providing for severability; providing for the repeal of conflicts; providing for codification; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2305 on first reading. Ms. Harris seconded the motion.**

Chief Butler explained the reasoning for changing the park hours, and recommended they be from 30 minutes before sunrise, until 30 mins before sunset, as this would give citizens the entire day to benefit. He reported going by the Naval Observatory for time, and stated signage would change every three to four months to reflect the hours.

Ms. Harris inquired as to what the times of other City parks were.

Executive Director of Utilities Steve Brown reported other park hours were from daylight to dark, and stated citizens who live around Lake Montgomery are requesting these hours.

Mayor Walker spoke in support of the hours being expanded at this park and suggested two sets of permanent times, not four.

Ms. Young spoke in support of the hours being from sunrise to sunset.

Mr. Jernigan reported meeting with Mr. Hudson, a citizen who lives on Lake Montgomery, and inquired if staff spoke with any residents who live around the lake.

Chief Butler reported he had not spoken with citizens around the lake, but has spoke with citizens who have been disappointed with the park hours.

Mr. Brown reported he had spoken with George Hudson and Todd Sampson.

PUBLIC COMMENT: George Hudson

A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Nay

10. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2306 (first reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, pertaining to the Police Officers' Pension Plan Board of Trustees; amending Chapter 70, Article IV, of the City of Lake City, Florida, Code of Ordinances entitled "Police Officers' Pension Plan and Trust Fund;" amending Section 70-93 to change the terms of trustees of the Pension Plan Board of Trustees; providing for severability; providing for conflicts; providing for codification; and providing for an effective date. **Ms. Harris made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2306 on first reading. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Ms. Harris	Aye
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Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Carter	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

11. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2308 (first reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending the text of the City of Lake City Land Development Regulations, as amended, pursuant to an application, LDR 25-01, by the City Council; providing for amending Section 4.12.2 entitled Permitted Principal Uses and Structures to permit Churches and other Houses of Worship as a permitted principal use and structure within the "CG" Commercial, General Zoning District; providing for amending Section 4.12.5 entitled Special Exceptions by deleting Churches and other Houses of Worship as a use permitted by special exception within the "CG" Commercial, General Zoning District; providing for amending Section 4.13.5 entitled Special Exceptions by deleting Churches and other Houses of Worship as a use permitted by special exception within the "CI" Commercial, Intensive Zoning District; providing for amending Section 4.14.5 entitled Special Exceptions by deleting Churches and other Houses of Worship as a use permitted by special exception within the "C-CBD" Commercial-Central Business Zoning District; providing severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict; providing an effective date.

Principal Planner Bryan Thomas reported this ordinance would bring the City into compliance with the law that went into effect in 2000.

Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2308 on first reading. Ms. Harris seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

Open Quasi – Judicial Proceeding

At this time Attorney Clay Martin read from a prepared script.

Preliminary Matters (Attorney Clay Martin):

The City Attorney shall read the ordinance by title.

12. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2307 (first reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, pursuant to Petition No. ANX 25-03, submitted by Seacoast National Bank F/K/A Drummond National Bank relating to voluntary annexation; annexing certain real property located in Columbia County, Florida, which is reasonably compact, and contiguous to the boundaries of the City of Lake City,

Florida, into the boundaries of the City of Lake City, Florida; making certain findings of fact in support thereof; providing severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict; and providing an effective date. (This property is located at 3882 W US Highway 90)

Disclosure by Council members of ex-parte communications (this includes site visits), if any.

Ms. Young	No	Ms. Harris	No
Mr. Carter	No	Mayor Walker	No
Mr. Jernigan	No		

Swearing in of applicant/appellant, staff and all witnesses collectively by City Attorney.

Attorney Martin swore in a total of eight people.

Clerk should take custody of exhibits.

Note: All exhibits, diagrams, photographs and similar physical evidence referred to during the testimony or which you would like the Council to consider must be marked for identification and kept by the Clerk for 30 days.

Principal Planner Bryan Thomas moved the presentation into the record.

A. Brief introduction of ordinance by city staff. Bryan Thomas

B. Presentation of application by applicant. Simone Savino moved the presentation into the record.

C. Presentation of evidence by city staff.

D. Presentation of case by third party intervenors, if any. None

E. Public comments. None

F. Cross examination of parties by party participants. N/A

G. Questions of parties by City Council. Mr. Jernigan verified this would not be a truck stop, and inquired if they accepted EBT.

H. Closing comments by parties. N/A

I. Instruction on law by attorney.

J. Discussion and action by City Council.

Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2307 on first reading. Ms. Harris seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Carter	Aye
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Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

13. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2309 (first reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending the Future Land Use Map of the City of Lake City Comprehensive Plan, as amended; relating to an amendment of 50 or less acres of land, pursuant to an application, CPA 25-01, by Christopher Lance Jones of Jones Engineering & Consulting, as agent for Odom Moses & Company LLP, the property owner of said acreage, under the amendment procedures established in Sections 163.3161 through 163.3248, Florida Statutes, as amended; providing for changing the Future Land Use Classification from County Highway Interchange to City Commercial of certain lands within the corporate limits of the City of Lake City, Florida; providing severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict; providing an effective date. (This property is located at 4330 NW American Lane)

Disclosure by Council members of ex-parte communications (this includes site visits), if any.

This was answered under the previous ordinance.

Swearing in of applicant/appellant, staff and all witnesses collectively by City Attorney.

This was conducted under the previous ordinance.

Clerk should take custody of exhibits.

Note: All exhibits, diagrams, photographs and similar physical evidence referred to during the testimony or which you would like the Council to consider must be marked for identification and kept by the Clerk for 30 days.

Principal Planner Bryan Thomas moved the presentation into the record.

A. Brief introduction of ordinance by city staff. Bryan Thomas

B. Presentation of application by applicant. Lance Jones – no additional evidence.

C. Presentation of evidence by city staff.

D. Presentation of case by third party intervenors, if any. N/A

E. Public comments. N/A

F. Cross examination of parties by party participants. N/A

G. Questions of parties by City Council. None

H. Closing comments by parties. N/A

I. Instruction on law by attorney.

J. Discussion and action by City Council.

Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2309 on first reading. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Carter	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

14. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2310 (first reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending the Official Zoning Atlas of the City of Lake City Land Development Regulations, as amended; relating to the rezoning of less than ten contiguous acres of land, pursuant to an application, Z 25-01, by Christopher Lance Jones of Jones Engineering & Consulting, as agent for Odom Moses & Company LLP, the property owner of said acreage; providing for rezoning from County - Commercial, Highway Interchange (CHI) to City - Commercial, Intensive (CI) of certain lands within the corporate limits of the City of Lake City, Florida; providing severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict; providing an effective date. (This property is located at 4330 NW American Lane)

Disclosure by Council members of ex-parte communications (this includes site visits), if any.

This was answered under the initial ordinance.

Swearing in of applicant/appellant, staff and all witnesses collectively by City Attorney.

This was conducted under the initial ordinance.

Clerk should take custody of exhibits.

Note: All exhibits, diagrams, photographs and similar physical evidence referred to during the testimony or which you would like the Council to consider must be marked for identification and kept by the Clerk for 30 days.

A. Brief introduction of ordinance by city staff. Bryan Thomas

B. Presentation of application by applicant. None

C. Presentation of evidence by city staff.

D. Presentation of case by third party intervenors, if any. N/A

E. Public comments. None

F. Cross examination of parties by party participants. N/A

G. Questions of parties by City Council. None

H. Closing comments by parties. N/A

I. Instruction on law by attorney.

J. Discussion and action by City Council.

Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2310 on first reading. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Carter	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

Resolutions

15. City Council Resolution No. 2025-037 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, concerning the Federal Aviation Administration Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program; ratifying the actions of the then-City Manager taken on behalf of the City Committing the City to the terms of that certain September 2020 DBE Program Policy statement executed by the then-City Manager on October 14, 2020; ratifying actions of City Personnel taken in furtherance of and compliance with said program policy; approving that certain updated DBE Program Policy Statement dated November 2024; committing the City to terms of said Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Policy Statement; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said November 2024 DBE Program Policy Statement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said November 2024 DBE Program Policy Statement; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said November 2024 DBE Program Policy Statement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date. **Ms. Harris made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-037. Mr. Carter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

16. City Council Resolution No. 2025-041 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida approving that certain update to job position and description for reserve police officer; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said position and description; directing the City Manager to update the City's position descriptions manual with said revised position and description; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Jernigan made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-041. Mr. Carter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

17. City Council Resolution No. 2025-044 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain agreement in the form of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), a component of the Department of Homeland Security, to implement the Task Force Model contemplated by Section 287(G) of the Immigration and Nationality Act by which Lake City Police Department Personnel may perform certain functions of an Immigration Officer; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said agreement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-044. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Carter	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Ms. Harris	Nay
Mayor Walker	Aye

18. City Council Resolution No. 2025-050 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, appointing Stephanie Marchman, Esq. of GrayRobinson, P.A. as a Special Magistrate to provide Due Process Hearings for the City; establishing appointment terms, conditions, and scope of work; establishing rates; providing for severability; repealing all resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-050. Ms. Harris seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Young	Aye

Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

19. City Council Resolution No. 2025-055 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida approving that certain agreement between the City and the Florida Department of Transportation for the administration of State Grant Funds to aid the Lake City Gateway Airport in pipe and asphalt repairs along Taxiway "A"; making certain finding of fact in support of the City approving said agreement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date. **Ms. Harris made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-055. Mr. Carter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

20. City Council Resolution No. 2025-056 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending that certain agreement relating to the Community Development Block Grant between the City and Florida Department of Commerce; making certain findings of fact in support of the City amending said agreement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-056. Ms. Harris seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

21. City Council Resolution No. 2025-057 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving the exchange of 3000 rounds of frangible training ammunition in the possession of the Lake City Police Department for 3000 rounds of full metal jacket training ammunition in the possession of the State Attorney's Office of the Third Judicial Circuit; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said ammunition exchange; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute such documents as are necessary to transfer ownership of said frangible

training ammunition to said State Attorney's Office; directing the Mayor to execute such documents as are necessary to accept the transfer of ownership of said full metal jacket ammunition to the City of Lake City for the use by the Lake City Police Department; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date. **Ms. Harris made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-057. Mr. Carter seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

22. City Council Resolution No. 2025-59 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain agreement between the City and Gallagher, Inc, a Florida Corporation, for consulting services to conduct a needs assessment related to Property and Casualty Insurance Premiums; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said agreement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.

Mr. Carter inquired if the City Manager had anything to add on this Item.

Mr. Rosenthal reported he was comfortable with a one-year contract at \$125,000.00.

Mr. Jernigan inquired as to how staff came to the conclusion of three to five years.

Mr. Rosenthal reported staff would see if there was a benefit after the first year.

Mayor Walker concluded this was a five-year contract with a one year opt out.

Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-059. Ms. Harris seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

23. City Council Resolution No. 2025-060 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, adopting the evaluation and tabulation of responses to that certain Invitation to Bid Number 009-2025 for construction of LCQ North Development Hangar and Taxilanes; accepting the Bid from Gray Construction Services, Inc., a Florida Corporation as the lowest responsive bid; approving the agreement with

said vendor; making certain findings of fact in support thereof; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-060. Ms. Harris seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

24. City Council Resolution No. 2025-061 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, concerning the Summer Youth Employment Program of the City of Lake City Police Department; recognizing the City of Lake City as the sole funding and administrative participant of the 2025 Program; authorizing the creation of twenty part-time, temporary positions to be administered by the City of Lake City Police Department in the City's Personnel Classification System; authorizing the transfer of funds from the Mariah Reginae Smith Fund Account (account number 001.16.574-080.82) to said Summer Youth Program (account number 001.11.521-030.49) to be administered by the City of Lake City Police Department; providing for the implementation and administration of the "Summer Youth Employment Program" by the City of Lake City Police Department from April 21, 2025 through August 31, 2025; providing for temporary, part-time training and employment opportunities for eligible City residents with the City; making findings of fact in support thereof; providing for conflicts; and providing an effective date.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Glenel Bowden

Chief Butler provided a brief overview of the program.

Ms. Young spoke in support of the program.

Mr. Carter spoke in support of the program.

Mayor Walker spoke in support of the program.

Mr. Jernigan spoke in support of the program.

Ms. Harris made a motion approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-061. Ms. Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Ms. Harris	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mr. Carter	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

25. City Council Resolution No. 2025-062 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, implementing a moratorium on the acceptance and consideration for approval of applications for Mobile Home or Manufactured Home Land Use Actions or permit approvals in the City of Lake City; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said moratorium; recognizing the authority of the City to approve and implement said moratorium; directing the City of Lake City Land Development Regulations Administrator to cease acceptance of new applications for Mobile Home or Manufactured Home Land Use Actions or permit approvals as of the effective date hereof; directing the City Attorney, the City Clerk, the City Manager, and the City of Lake City Land Development Regulations Administrator Official and Planning staff to cooperate to prepare an ordinance implementing such moratorium; specifying a duration for such moratorium; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.

Growth Management Director Scott Thomason explained this moratorium would allow time to correct the City's Land Development Regulations.

Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2025-062. Ms. Harris seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Mr. Carter	Aye
Ms. Harris	Aye
Mr. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Walker	Aye

Other Items

26. Discussion and Possible Action - Funding Request for Soulful Saturday, July 19, 2025 (Council Member Tammy Harris)

Ms. Harris asked Superfriends Entertainment CEO, Tony Hunt, to provide a brief overview of the event and the economic impact.

Ms. Harris explained the event would consist of three or four R&B artists, local vendors, and a car show.

Mr. Hunt reported looking into hosting the event at either Memorial Stadium or Darby Pavilion, and stated the funding request was for \$50,000.00.

Ms. Young expressed concerns with charging citizens for the event.

Mr. Hunt discussed a plan to recoup the money to enhance revenue for the City of Lake City, and stated there would be attendees from all over, not just the City.

Members discussed concerns about safety, charging citizens, and needing additional information on the event.

**Ms. Harris made a motion to table the Item until the May 5, 2025 meeting.
Ms. Young seconded the motion.**

PUBLIC COMMENT: Glenel Bowden

A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

Ms. Harris	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Nay
Mr. Carter	Nay
Mayor Walker	Aye

COMMENTS BY CHARTER OFFICERS

City Manager Don Rosenthal – Mr. Rosenthal reported being in discussions with the County as to providing additional water and sewer.

City Attorney Clay Martin – None

City Clerk Audrey Sikes – None

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council Member Chevella Young – Ms. Young requested Mr. Rosenthal look into the contract the City has with The Blanche Hotel. She also reported speaking with the Easter Block Party coordinator about the event that took place at Annie Mattox Park on Easter Sunday. Ms. Young stated citizens were afraid due to the size of the crowd and reported driving through the area herself. The party coordinator had spoken with the Annie Mattox Board and reported the next event would be more organized.

Council Member Ricky Jernigan – Mr. Jernigan read into the record a letter from Garden Street expressing their appreciation to City Manager Don Rosenthal, Distribution & Collection Director Brian Scott, and Executive Director of Utilities Steve Brown for their assistance in the City's approval process for their home project. He reported attending the event at Annie Mattox Park on Easter Sunday and stated the event was great until the end. He sent thoughts and prayers to fellow Law Enforcement Officers, first responders and their families.

Council Member James Carter – Mr. Carter expressed concerns with streets being unusable during an event like the block party at Annie Mattox Park. He mentioned a similar event coming to the City in a few weeks, and suggested Code Enforcement, the City Manager, and Chief of Police look into these concerns before the next event.

Council Member Tammy Harris – Ms. Harris read a positive post about the Lake City Police Department from social media.

Mayor Noah Walker – Mayor Walker expressed appreciation for the Police Department and offered prayers to Officer Hardison. He also suggested the Annie Mattox Board proceed with caution on

events as the park is privately owned. He then recognized employees who were recognized at the Employee Luncheon for having worked for the City. The recognitions were as follows:

15 years: Michael DelCastillo, Patrol Sergeant; Ed Bunnell, Airport Director and Kim Moore, Senior Administrative Assistant in Public Works

20 years: Kevin Parlatti, Water & Wastewater Inspector

25 years: Audrey Sikes, City Clerk

35 years: Terri Phillips, Community Programs Director

ADJOURNMENT

Having there been no further business, Mayor Walker adjourned the meeting at 9:31 PM.

Noah Walker, Mayor/Council Member

Audrey Sikes, City Clerk