

CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 2020-2170

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA
AMENDING CITY CODE CHAPTER 70, ARTICLE IV, POLICE
OFFICERS RETIREMENT FUND, SECTION 70-100, RELATED
TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE;
PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING
FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER; AND
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, changes to the Internal Revenue Code (hereinafter the "City Code") may happen quickly and frequently. There is a benefit in authorizing the Board of Trustees of the City of Lake City Municipal Police Officers Retirement Fund (hereinafter the "Board") to make appropriate changes to the Police Officers Retirement Fund Plan (hereinafter the "Plan") in order to maintain the Plan's tax qualified status; and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2020, the City Code was amended by increasing the required minimum distribution age from 70½ to 72; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that it is in the best interests of the Plan to implement necessary changes to the Internal Revenue Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, THAT:**

Section 1. The above recitals are all true and accurate and are incorporated herein and made a part of this resolution.

Section 2. Section 70-100(a), (c), and (d)(2) of the City Code are hereby amended to read as follows (additions are underlined and deletions are stricken):

Sec. 70-100. Compliance with the Internal Revenue Code.

(a) It is the intention of the city and of the board that the plan remain at all times a qualified plan, as that term is defined under the Internal Revenue Code as well as the corresponding Treasury Regulations applicable to governmental defined retirement benefit plans.

(1) In recognition of the changing requirements of Plan qualification, the Board shall adopt an administrative policy setting forth the required provisions for tax qualification. Such a policy shall be amended by the Board as required to maintain continuing compliance with the Internal Revenue Code and that policy and

any amendments shall have the force of law as if adopted by the City Council.

(c) In no event may a member's retirement benefit be delayed beyond the later of April 1st following the calendar year in which the member attains age 70½ 72, provided the member had not attained age 70½ by December 31, 2019, or April 1st of the year following the calendar year in which the member retires.

When a distribution of the participant's entire interest is not made in a lump sum, the distribution will be made in or more of the following ways: over the life of the participant; over the life of the participant and designated beneficiary; over a period certain not extending beyond the life expectancy of the participant; or over a period certain not extending beyond the joint life and last survivor expectancy of the participant and a designated beneficiary.

(d) If the distribution has commenced before the participant's death, the remaining interest will be distributed at least as rapidly as under the method of distribution being used as of the date of the participant's death.

The method of distribution, if the participant dies before distribution is commenced, must satisfy the following requirements:

- (1) Any remaining portion of the participant's interest that is not payable to a beneficiary designated by the participant will be distributed within five years after the participant's death;
- (2) Any portion of the participant's interest that is payable to a beneficiary designated by the participant will be distributed either: (i) within five years after the participant's death; or (ii) over the life of the beneficiary, or over a period certain not extending beyond the life expectancy of the beneficiary, commencing not later than the end of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the participant died (or, if a designated beneficiary is the participant's surviving spouse, commencing not later than the end of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the participant would have attained age 72 70½).

Section 3. It is the intention of the City Council, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lake City, that the sections of the Ordinance

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may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intentions; and that the word "Ordinance" shall be changed to "Section" or other appropriate word.

Section 4. If any clause, section, or other part or application of this Ordinance shall be held in any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutional or invalid part or application shall be considered as eliminated and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. All ordinances or parts of ordinances, resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption, unless otherwise provided.

PASSED upon first reading on the 19th day of October 2020.

NOTICE PUBLISHED on the 23rd day of October 2020.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on the second and final reading this _____ day of _____ 2020.

CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Stephen M. Witt, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
Audrey E. Sikes, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGALITY:

By: _____
Frederick L. Koberlein, Jr.,
City Attorney

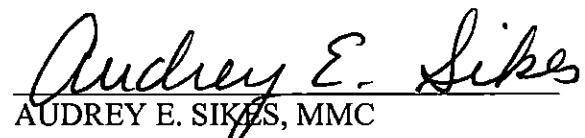
Ordinance Number: 2020-2170
Passed on first reading on October 19, 2020

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	✓	—	—	—
Melinda Moses, 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.


AUDREY E. SIKES, MMC
City Clerk