

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Regular Session, on August 19, 2024 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION – Council Member Chevella Young

ROLL CALL

Mayor/Council Member  
City Council

Stephen M. Witt  
Jake Hill, Jr.  
Chevella Young  
Ricky Jernigan  
James Carter  
Clay Martin  
Don Rosenthal  
Chief Gerald Butler  
Audrey Sikes

City Attorney  
City Manager  
Sergeant-at-Arms  
City Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Witt reported Item #19 would be heard before Item #18. **Mr. Jernigan made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Mr. Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

1. City of Lake City Price Creek Water Treatment Plant receives Medium Public Water System of the Year Award 2024 from Florida Rural Water Association (City Manager Don Rosenthal)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

- George Hudson
- Sylvester Warren

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sylvester Warren

2. Minutes - August 2, 2024 Emergency Called City Council Meeting
3. Minutes - August 5, 2024 Regular Session

4. City Council Resolution No. 2024-056 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, as the operator of the Lake City Gateway Airport; accepting from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission the donation of a surplus generator provided by the United States Department of Defense; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said donation; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute such documents as are necessary to transfer ownership of said surplus property to the Lake City Gateway Airport; directing the Mayor to execute such documents as are necessary to transfer ownership of said surplus property to the Lake City Gateway Airport; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
5. City Council Resolution No. 2024-079 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, appointing Tanya Johnson to serve through the end of the current term in seat "B" on the City's Planning and Zoning Board, Board of Adjustment, and Historic Preservation Agency Board; making certain findings of fact in support thereof; recognizing the expiration of said term on October 31, 2026; directing the City Clerk to reflect said appointment and expiration of term in such records of the City as are necessary and prudent; making certain findings of fact in support of the City Clerk reflecting such appointment and expiration of term in the records of the City; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
6. City Council Resolution No. 2024-080 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain amendment to the Traffic Signal and Maintenance Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Transportation for maintenance of certain traffic signals in the City of Lake City; 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.
7. City Council Resolution No. 2024-081 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain application by the Lake City Police Department for funds from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant to purchase portable vehicle barriers; making certain findings of fact in support of the City applying for such grant funds; recognizing the authority of the City Manager or his designee to submit such application; directing the City Manager or his designee to submit such application; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
8. City Council Resolution No. 2024-082 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving and adopting that certain amendment to Agreement No LPS0090 between the City and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to continue the Lake City Recharge Wetland Expansion; revising the scope of work of such expansion to include preconstruction activities such as surveys, environmental assessments, and engineering for reimbursement; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving and adopting said Amendment; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said Amendment; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said Amendment; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.

9. City Council Resolution No. 2024-083 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain continuing contract agreement between the City and AECOM Technical Services, Inc., a California Corporation, for engineering assessments, project development, design, permitting, construction monitoring, and other related services; 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.
10. City Council Resolution No. 2024-084 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain continuing contract agreement between the City and Greenman-Pedersen, Inc., a New York Corporation, for engineering assessments, project development, design, permitting, construction monitoring, and other related services; 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.
11. City Council Resolution No. 2024-085 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain continuing contract agreement between the City and Dewberry Engineers, Inc., a New York Corporation, for engineering assessments, project development, design, permitting, construction monitoring, and other related services; 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.
12. City Council Resolution No. 2024-086 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain continuing contract agreement between the City and WSP USA Environment & Infrastructure, Inc., a Nevada Corporation, for engineering assessments, project development, design, permitting, construction monitoring, and other related services; 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.
13. City Council Resolution No. 2024-087 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain continuing contract agreement between the City and Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc., a Maryland Corporation, for engineering assessments, project development, design, permitting, construction monitoring, and other related services; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving 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.
14. City Council Resolution No. 2024-088 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain continuing contract agreement between the City and Barge Design Solutions, Inc., a Tennessee Corporation, for engineering assessments, project

development, design, permitting, construction monitoring, and other related services; 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.

15. City Council Resolution No. 2024-089 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain continuing contract agreement between the City and Terracon Consultants, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, for engineering assessments, project development, design, permitting, construction monitoring, and other related services; 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.
16. Approval to pay Final Payment Request to Atlantic Lining Company in the amount of \$257, 613.65 for replacing the 45-million-gallon effluent reservoir liner at the Kicklighter Facility. Cody Pridgeon, Director of Wastewater, recommends approving the final payment as they completed the work ahead of schedule and did an exceptional job.

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

## OLD BUSINESS

### Ordinances

#### **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.**

17. City Council Ordinance No. 2024-2289 (final reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, pursuant to petition No. ANX 24-04, relating to voluntary annexation; making findings; 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; providing severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict; and providing an effective date. This voluntary annexation is for Dallas Keen and the property is located at the corner of SE Lochlynn Terrace and Lanvale, which is near KC's Produce.

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

Ms. Young No  
Mr. Carter No  
Mr. Hill No  
Mr. Jernigan No  
Mayor Witt No

**Swearing in of applicant/appellant, staff and all witnesses collectively by City Attorney.** (Robert Angelo from Growth Management Department and one person in audience)

**Clerk should take custody of exhibits.** Mr. Angelo provided documents attached as Exhibit 1.

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.** (Robert Angelo)
- B. Presentation of application by applicant.** (Dallas Keen)
- C. Presentation of evidence by city staff.** (Robert Angelo)
- D. Presentation of case by third party intervenors, if any.** (None)
- E. Public comments.** (None)
- F. Cross examination of parties by party participants.**
- G. Questions of parties by City Council.** (Mr. Jernigan)
- H. Closing comments by parties.**
- I. Instruction on law by attorney.**
- J. Discussion and action by City Council.**

**Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2024-2289 on final reading. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

<b>Mr. Carter</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Hill</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Ms. Young</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Jernigan</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Witt</b>	<b>Aye</b>

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinances

**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.**

19. City Council Ordinance No. 2024-2276 (first reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, pursuant to petition No. ANX 24-01, relating to voluntary annexation; making findings; 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; providing severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict; and providing an effective date. This voluntary annexation is for Cecilia Davis and the property is located on Hwy 441 North across from the Target Distribution Center.

**Disclosure by Council members of ex-parte communications (this includes site visits), if any.** (None reported; this was covered under previous ordinance)

**Swearing in of applicant/appellant, staff and all witnesses collectively by City Attorney.** (Robert Angelo from Growth Management Department was still sworn in under previous ordinance)

**Clerk should take custody of exhibits.**

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**A. Brief introduction of ordinance by city staff.** (Robert Angelo)

**B. Presentation of application by applicant.** (None)

**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.**

**G. Questions of parties by City Council.** (Mr. Jernigan)

**H. Closing comments by parties.**

**I. Instruction on law by attorney.**

**J. Discussion and action by City Council.**

**Mr. Carter made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2024-2276 on first reading. Ms. Young seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

<b>Mr. Carter</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Ms. Young</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Hill</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Jernigan</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Witt</b>	<b>Aye</b>

Old Business – Other Items

18. For Informational Purposes Only: Non-Profit Zoom Grant Application (Assistant City Manager Dee Johnson)

Mr. Johnson reported a Citizen Workshop would be held Monday, August 26, 2024 at 5:30 PM regarding the Zoom Grant Application. The application would be open from August 27, 2024 until September 26, 2024, with funds being dispersed October 1, 2024.

New Business – Other Items

20. For Informational Purposes Only: Folds Walker, LLC Invoices for May and June 2024

City Clerk Audrey Sikes verified with members whether they would still like to review attorney invoices each month. Members concurred to remove the invoices from future agendas until further notice.

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION – None

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Hill asked for an update regarding funding to the Richardson Community Center Cheer Champions. Assistant City Manager Dee Johnson reported this topic would be on the upcoming agenda. Ms. Young instructed the president of the Cheer Champions to get additional information for the upcoming agenda to City Clerk Audrey Sikes.

ADJOURNMENT

**Mr. Carter made a motion to adjourn at 7:22 PM and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

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Stephen M. Witt, Mayor/Council Member

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Audrey Sikes, City Clerk