



**Town of Lake Park, Florida
Local Planning Agency
Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 8, 2022 at 8:12 P.M.
Commission Chamber, Town Hall
535 Park Avenue, Lake Park, Florida 33403**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:12 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Richard Ahrens, Chair	Present
Jon Buechele, Vice-Chair	Present
Lauren Paxton, Regular Member	Present
Elizabeth Woolford, Regular Member	Present

Also in attendance were Town Planner Anders Viane, Town Attorney Thomas Baird, and Executive Assistant Kimberly Rowley.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Motion: Board Member Buechele moved to appoint Richard Ahrens as Chair; Board Member Paxton seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Board Member Paxton	X		
Board Member Woolford	X		
Vice-Chair Buechele	X		
Chair Ahrens	X		

Motion passed 4-0.

APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

Motion: Board Member Paxton moved to appoint Jon Buechele as Vice-Chair; Board Member Woolford seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Board Member Paxton	X		
Board Member Woolford	X		
Vice-Chair Buechele	X		
Chair Ahrens	X		

Motion passed 4-0.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Vice-Chair Buechele moved to Approve the Agenda; Board Member Paxton seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Board Member Paxton	X		
Board Member Woolford	X		
Vice-Chair Buechele	X		
Chair Ahrens	X		

Motion passed 4-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Local Planning Agency Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2021.

Motion: Board Member Woolford moved to approve the Local Planning Agency Meeting Minutes of December 6, 2021; Board Member Paxton seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Board Member Paxton	X		
Board Member Woolford	X		
Vice-Chair Buechele	X		
Chair Ahrens	X		

Motion passed 4-0.

Public Comments

Chair Ahrens explained the Public Comment procedure.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The normal order of business for Hearings on agenda items are as follows:

- Staff presentation
- Applicant presentation (when applicable)
- Board Member questions of staff and applicant
- Public Comments – limited to 3 minutes per speaker
- Rebuttal or closing arguments for quasi-judicial items
- Motion on floor
- Vote of Board

NEW BUSINESS:

1. LPA-22-01: PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADOPTING TOWN-INITIATED AMENDMENTS TO THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, INCLUDING AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL TEXT AND CERTAIN OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES WITHIN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT, AND AMENDMENTS TO THE GENERAL TEXT AND CERTAIN OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES WITHIN THE TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT.

Town Attorney Baird explained the item (see Exhibit “A”).

Motion: Vice-Chair Buechele moved to LPA-22-01; Board Member Paxton seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Board Member Paxton	X		
Board Member Woolford	X		
Vice-Chair Buechele	X		
Chair Ahrens	X		

Motion passed 4-0.

2. LPA-22-02: PUBIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADOPTING A TOWN INITIATED SMALL SCALE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT, TO CHANGE THE FUTURE LAND USE FROM “PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS” TO “DOWNTOWN” FOR THE TOWN-OWNED 1.24 ACRE PARCEL THAT IS THE PROPOSED TRI-RAIL STATION LOCATION.

Town Planner Golonka explained the item (see Exhibit “B”). Chair Ahrens asked clarifying questions regarding how many stories could be built on the property. Town Planner Golonka stated that the Land Development Regulations (LDR’s) would determine it. She explained that the goal was to develop a Tri-Rail Station. Board Member Paxton asked if a public survey had been conducted to determine the need for a Tri- Rail Station. Town Planner Golonka stated that she was not aware of a survey. Board Member Paxton asked if one could be done. She asked if a crime study could be conducted to determine if a Tri-Rail Station would affect crime in Town. Town Planner Golonka suggested that the request be added to the motion for the Town Commission to consider. Board Member Woolford asked if there is any way to know if a Tri-Rail Station would be in Town in the next five or 10-years from now. Board Member Paxton stated that the Town Commission wants a Tri-Rail Station. Town Planner Golonka explained that even if a Tri-Rail Station is not placed on that property, the Town Commission wants a transit hub on the property. The Board Members offered suggestions to get information regarding the need for a Tri-Rail Station.

Motion: Board Member Woolford moved to recommend to the Town Commission the approval of the Small-Scale Amendment and recommend a survey of the residents and businesses to determine their support for a Tri-Rail Station at that location; Board Member Paxton seconded the motion.

Vote on Motion:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Board Member Paxton	X		
Board Member Woolford	X		
Vice-Chair Buechele	X		
Chair Ahrens	X		

Motion passed 4-0.

Local Planning Agency Board Member Comments None

Community Development Director Comments None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Local Planning Agency Board and by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Chair, Town of Lake Park Local Planning Agency

Town Seal

Vivian Mendez, Town Clerk, MMC

Approved on this _____ of _____, _____