# **CITY OF PAHOKEE**



## **MINUTES**

### **City Commission Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 6:00 PM

Pahokee Commission Chambers 360 East Main Street Pahokee, Florida 33476

### CITY COMMISSION:

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor Clara Murvin, Vice Mayor Derrick Boldin, Commissioner Sanquetta Cowan-Williams, Commissioner Everett D. McPherson, Sr., Commissioner

### **CHARTER OFFICERS:**

Michael E. Jackson, Interim City Manager Nylene Clarke, City Clerk Burnadette Norris-Weeks, Esq., City Attorney

### AGENDA

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Babb at 6:07 PM.

#### **B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Mayor Murvin led the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### C. ROLL CALL

PRESENT Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr. Vice Mayor Clara Murvin Commissioner Derrick Boldin Commissioner Sanquetta Cowan-Williams Commissioner Everett D. McPherson, Sr. Michael E. Jackson. Interim City Manager Chan Bryant Abney, Acting City Attorney Nohemi Polanco, Acting City Clerk

## D. ADDITIONS OF EMERGENCY BASIS FROM CITY MANAGER, DELETIONS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin to rearrange agenda items with changes to the order of presentation. Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

## E. PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS / PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS / PUBLIC COMMENTS (agenda items only)

- 1. Oikos Development Corporation Everglades Townhomes Update
- 2. Third Quarter Financial Report
- 3. Mayor's Proclamation Expression of Sympathy Former Mayor James Paul "JP" Sasser
- 4. Proclamation Declaring September 2024 as National Recovery Month

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to accept the proclamation declaring September 2024 as National Recovery Month. Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

#### F. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. April 23, 2024 City Commission Workshop Minutes
- 2. RESOLUTION 2024-30 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE CANCELLATION OF THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2024 CITY COMMISSION MEETING AND RESCHEDULING THE MEETING FOR SEPTEMBER 11, 2024; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 3. RESOLUTION 2024-31 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE SIGNATORIES FOR VARIOUS BANK ACCOUNTS OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE AT PNC BANK, N.A; RECOGNIZING, NYLENE CLARKE, CITY CLERK, AS AN ADDITIONAL SIGNATORY, AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY

#### DOCUMENTS TO COMPORT WITH THIS RESOLUTION AND WITH PNC BANKING REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to accept the Consent Agenda. Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

- G. OLD BUSINESS (discussion of existing activities or previously held events, if any)
  - 1. Update City Projects

#### H. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND/OR ORDINANCES

#### I. RESOLUTION(S)

1. RESOLUTION 2024-32 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, REQUIRING PUBLIC INTERVIEWS AND PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS FOR THE POSITIONS OF CITY MANAGER, CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to approve Resolution 2024-32. Duly seconded by Commissioner Boldin and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

2. RESOLUTION 2024-33 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TERMINATE THE SUBLEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA AND JPDT HOLDINGS CORP; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin to approve Resolution 2024-33. Duly seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

3. RESOLUTION 2024-34 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FOR EXTERNAL AUDITING SERVICES FROM HCT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND CONSULTANTS, LLC IN RESPONSE TO CITY OF PAHOKEE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #2024-02; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE COMPENSATION AND BRING BACK A RECOMMENDATION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to approve Resolution 2024-34. Duly seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

4. RESOLUTION 2024-35 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE FLORIDA, APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO 29 PERTAINING TO RESOLUTION #2016-20 AND THE CONTRACT WITH ROSSO SITE DEVELOPMENT INC. FOR THE BARFIELD HIGHWAY

#### RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, AS SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT "A" HERETO; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to approve Resolution 2024-35. Duly seconded by Commissioner Boldin and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

- J. NEW BUSINESS (presentation by city manager of activity or upcoming event, if any)
  - 1. Discussion of City Manager Evaluation

#### H. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

#### I. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

#### J. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

#### K. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OF COMMISSIONERS, IF ANY

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson for City Manager and City Clerk to have annual evaluation. Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

#### L. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS (items not on the agenda)

## M. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER (community events, feel good announcements, if any)

#### N. ADJOURN

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to adjourn the meeting. Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Babb adjourned the meeting at 7:43 PM.

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

ATTEST: Nylene Clarke, CMC, City Clerk