**CITY OF WESTLAKE** 



# **MINUTES**

# **City Council Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Westlake Council Chambers 4005 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road Westlake, Florida 33470

# **CITY COUNCIL:**

JohnPaul O'Connor, Mayor Greg Langowski, Vice Mayor Pilar Valle Ron, Council Member – Seat 1 Julian Martinez, Council Member – Seat 2 Charlotte Leonard, Council Member – Seat 3

# **CITY STAFF:**

Ken Cassel, City Manager Zoie P. Burgess, CMC, City Clerk Donald J. Doody, Esq., City Attorney Nilsa Zacarias, AICP, Planning and Zoning Director Suzanne Dombrowski, PE, ENV SP, City Engineer A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Westlake was held on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 6:00 PM., at the Westlake Community Center, 4005 Seminole Pratt Whitney Road. Members of the public also participated in the meeting through electronic means and accessed as follows:

1. Webex meeting from a computer, tablet or smartphone at the following link: https://cityofwestlake.my.webex.com/

Meeting ID: 2634 748 3487 Password: hello

2. Participants also dialed in using phone with the following number:

United States Toll:	+1-408-418-9388
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As a preliminary matter, Ms. Burgess noted that council members are present physically constituting a quorum.

Ms. Burgess confirmed Mr. Don Hearing, of Cotleur and Hearing, was virtually present.

Ms. Burgess provided further instruction regarding public comments, noting that comments will be acknowledged by the mayor and accepted at the appropriate times as indicated in the agenda and those who wish to speak may use the "virtual" hand raise feature.

Ms. Burgess provided the disclaimer that the meeting is being recorded by both voice and video, reminding the audience microphones are live. Ms. Burgess further explained that microphones will be muted; audience members can unmute themselves and anyone that has called in should mute their device.

Ms. Burgess noted that anyone causing a disruption or being inappropriate will be removed from the meeting. Ms. Burgess reminded Council Members physically present to utilize microphones.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor O'Connor called the City of Westlake Regular City Council meeting of Tuesday March 14, 2023, to order at 6:01 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

Present and constituting a quorum:

Councilwoman Charlotte Leonard Councilman Julian Martinez Councilwoman Pilar Valle Ron Vice Mayor Greg Langowski Mayor John Paul O'Connor

Also present:

Kenneth Cassel, City Manager Donald J. Doody, Esq., City Attorney Zoie Burgess, City Clerk Nilsa Zacarias, Planning and Zoning Director

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor O'Connor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### ADDITIONS, DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor O'Connor called for any additions, deletions, or modifications to the agenda.

Mayor O'Connor called for a new item to be added to agenda under New Business as item C, Discussion of Spring Festival.

Mr. Doody asked for clarification if the mayor wanted any action to be taken on this item, it needs to be reframed as discussion, possible action, and consideration.

Mayor O'Connor asked for a new item to be added under New Business item C, discussion, and potential action on a Spring Festival event.

Motion by Vice Mayor Langowski to amend agenda, seconded by Councilwoman Valle Ron.

#### UPON ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

Mayor O'Connor stated there are other housekeeping items to discuss. Mayor stated he will be in Tallahassee for the next City Council Meeting. Mayor O'Connor stated there is a workshop coming up and asked if both meetings can be moved to a week so that he could be in attendance for the city council meeting and the joint meeting with Seminole Improvement District. Mayor O'Connor stated the meetings can be held on the same day.

Mr. Cassel noted the meeting date would be April 11th, at the will of the council.

Mr. Doody asked if this was being added to the agenda for consideration. Mr. Cassel confirmed Mr. Doody said it would be added as item D under New Business. Mayor O'Connor asked if this was the consensus or if a vote is needed to be made to change the date. Mr. Doody asked if date change was going to be discussed, proposed dates are needed from the City Manager and action taken to change the date of the meeting.

Mayor O'Connor asked for a motion for discussion and possible action to change the date of the upcoming city council meeting added under item D under New Business.

Motion by Vice Mayor Langowski, seconded by Councilwoman Valle Ron.

### UPON ROLL CALL:

Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

Mayor O'Connor continued with next item, public comments, and requests.

Mr. Doody clarified the motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

Mr. Cassel stated there was another item to be added to the agenda to discuss the approval of proclamations. Mr. Cassel stated to publish proclamations, council must approve the proclamation as a whole, not just backed by one councilmember.

Mr. Doody asked for the item to be added under new business item E to have the process for proclamations adopted as a procedure.

Mayor O'Connor asked for a discussion to be added to this item, as proclamations should be discussed before confirming the proclamation. Mayor O'Connor asked if the discussion and the approval would be completed in the same meeting. Mr. Cassel confirmed the proclamation would be discussed and confirmed in the same meeting. Mr. Cassel clarified the item would not be added to the agenda, but it would be part of the package. The proclamation would be discussed and voted on to be added to the agenda. Mr. Cassel stated this way a process is set on approving proclamations.

Mayor O'Connor asked if each proclamation would have a discussion and approval. Mr. Doody confirmed proclamations would be discussed and approved at the meeting. Mr. Doody stated this avoids council being put in awkward positions because of proclamations presented to them by certain organizations or entities that may have been brought forward by a member of council that may not be the views of all council. This will allow proclamations to be reviewed, considered, and debated before acting on it. Council will collectively decide what to publish as a proclamation on behalf of the city of Westlake.

Mayor O'Connor stated he understood. Mayor O'Connor stated if this was to be added as a new business item E today, subsequently, presentations and proclamations need to be moved.

Mr. Doody stated they can continue forward with the current process of handling proclamations until the new process is considered under New Business.

Mayor O'Connor asked for clarification if he would be doing the proclamations today that are on the agenda.

Mr. Cassel stated unless someone wanted to remove one of the proclamations from the agenda that is presented.

Mayor O'Connor stated he would review presented proclamations. Mayor O'Connor stated he was ok with Proclamation Lets Move Palm Beach County and is ok with March being Florida bicycle month. Mayor O'Connor

stated they have modified the agenda to add C, D, E. Mayor O'Connor asked for a motion to approve the agenda as modified.

Motion by Councilman Martinez to approve agenda as modified.

Ms. Burgess stated a motion was not received to add item E.

Mayor O'Connor asked for a motion to add item E to the agenda, special procedures for proclamations.

Motion by Councilwoman Leonard to add letter E, proclamation procedures, to the agenda under New Business, seconded by Councilman Martinez.

# **UPON ROLL CALL:**

Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0)

Mayor O'Connor asked for a motion to approve the agenda as amended, to include items C, D, and E.

Motion by Councilman Martinez, to approve the agenda as modified, adding item A, B, C, D and E to the agenda, seconded by Councilwoman Leonard.

# UPON ROLL CALL:

Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

# PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

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Mayor O'Connor called for public comments.

Ms. Burgess noted there were no public comment cards received prior to the meeting and gave the virtual audience a moment to comment.

There being no further comments, the next item followed.

# CONSENT AGENDA

This section of the agenda consists of routine or administrative items that require final approval by the City Council and may be approved in its entirety by a single motion. There will be no discussion of these items unless a Council Member, requests such, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered on a future agenda.

- A. Financial Report January
- B. Minutes\_Regular City Council Meeting 02.07.2023 DRAFT

Mayor O'Connor identified the consent agenda items and called for a motion to approve.

Motion by Councilwoman Valle Ron to approve Consent Agenda, seconded by Vice Mayor Langowski.

#### UPON ROLL CALL:

Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

# PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

A. Proclamation - Declaring March 2023 As Florida Bicycle Month

Sponsored By: Vice Mayor Greg Langowski

Mayor O'Connor identified Proclamation, Declaring March 2023 as Florida Bicycle Month, sponsored by Vice Mayor Langowski and read proclamation into record.

B. Proclamation 2023-02 - Let's Move Palm Beach County

#### Sponsored By: Administration

Mayor O'Connor identified Proclamation, Let's Move Palm Beach County and read proclamation into record.

# **PUBLIC HEARING - QUASI JUDICIAL**

A. AIPP-2022-01: The applicant is requesting approval of a proposed Art sculpture installation called "ORANGE WITH 3 BLOSSOMS' for the James Business Park development. The subject application is located at 17035 & 16935 Persimmon Boulevard West.

#### Submitted By: Planning and Zoning

Mayor O'Connor introduced item and asked Mr. Doody to swear in individuals who intend to testify and to read item by title only.

Mr. Doody asked all those who intend to testify during this proceeding to please stand and raise their right hand to be sworn in.

Mayor O'Connor called for staff presentations.

Mr. Leon, senior planner, presented request for approval for a public art sculpture installation for the James Business Park development located at Pod G SW.

Mr. Leon referenced Ordinance 2021-12 and discussed what was not eligible to be considered as artwork. Mr. Leon discussed the applicant's proposal and cost of the art sculpture. Mr. Leon displayed the location and a picture of the proposed artwork. Mr. Leon discussed the colors of the artwork, the different parts of the artwork and discussed the landscaping surrounding the artwork that will compliment the sculpture. Mr. Leon also stated the sculpture complies with applicable zoning and fire codes. Mr. Leon stated the art was approved by the Arts in Public Places Board and staff recommends approval of application.

Mayor O'Connor called for council comments.

Councilman Martinez asked if the sculpture was built in the United States.

Mr. Hearing stated it was built in the United States.

Mr. Doody asked for Mr. Hearing to hold any comments, and clarified the question was directed to staff.

Mr. Leon asked for the question to be repeated.

Councilman Martinez asked if the sculpture is being built in the United States.

Mr. Leon stated the sculpture was built in the United States.

Mayor O'Connor stated there is another presentation, from applicant, Mr. Donaldson Hearing, on behalf of Jamlyn Supply, Inc.

Mr. Hearing discussed the founding partners of Jamlyn Supply, Inc., and the concept and significance behind the idea of the art sculpture. Mr. Hearing discussed the location of the sculpture and its location in the heart of the City of Westlake. Mr. Hearing also stated the City attorney worked with the artist in obtaining a copyright waiver so the city is able to utilize the art as part of any celebrations in the city of Westlake, whether its through publication or on the city website. Mr. Hearing went over the landscaping surrounding the sculpture that will compliment the sculpture and not compete with the sculpture. Mr. Hearing discussed the materials the art is made of and the minimal maintenance the sculpture needs. Mr. Hearing clarified any questions on the manufacturing of the art, noting the fabricator is located in the south area of Florida and will meet hurricane standards. Mr. Hearing also stated the Arts in Public Places board did agree to have security cameras installed in the corner of the building to have additional security at this location.

Mayor O'Connor stated he was at the Arts in Public Places meeting and explained how the art is so intentional, the artist incorporated the city's history into this sculpture. Mayor O'Connor stated this is the first installation under the Arts in Public Places Ordinance and they have set the bar high for future art. Mayor O'Connor asked when will the sculpture be completed.

Mr. Hearing stated the sculpture must be in place prior to the issuance of the certificate of occupancy of the building. Mr. Hearing stated they are in for permits or very close to being submitted for permits.

Mayor O'Connor asked if council had any questions or comments.

Council stated their excitement for the incoming art sculpture.

Mayor O'Connor called for public comments.

Ms. Burgess stated no comment cards were received prior to the meeting and gave the virtual audience a moment to raise their virtual hand.

**Public Comment - Gary Werner – 16005 Keybiscayne Lane** – Mr. Werner expressed his excitement for the sculpture. Mr. Werner asked if there was any consideration into planting a couple of orange trees in the background of the sculpture. Mr. Werner stated he does not know how that would work as he is not a landscaper, but he thought it would go great with the theme of the sculpture.

Mayor O'Connor stated he will let Mr. Hearing answer this question.

Mr. Hearing stated he loved the idea, the only concern would be obtaining decent sized orange trees that would go in at the time of development. Mr. Hearing stated it's hard to obtain decent sized orange trees at time of development.

Mr. Cassel added the greening issue in the State of Florida.

Mayor O'Connor stated the city has a specific issue with the soil and orange trees.

Mayor O'Connor called for any additional public comments.

Ms. Burgess gave the virtual audience additional time to raise their virtual hand.

There being no further comments, Mayor O'Connor asked for a motion to approve application AIPP-2022-01.

Motion by Vice Mayor Langowski, seconded by Councilwoman Valle Ron.

#### **UPON ROLL CALL:**

Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

#### PUBLIC HEARING

A. SECOND READING: Ordinance 2022-16 – Sexually Oriented Businesses

Submitted By: Planning and Zoning

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2022-16

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY CREATING \_\_\_\_\_\_ ENTITLED "SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES"; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS OF SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES; PROVIDING FOR LICENSING AND REGULATION OF SUCH BUSINESSES AND THEIR EMPLOYEES; PROVIDING FOR A DISTANCE SEPARATION BETWEEN ENTERTAINERS AND PATRONS IN SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor O'Connor introduced item.

Mr. Doody read item, by title only, into the record.

Mayor O'Connor asked for staff presentation.

Mr. Leon discussed Ordinance 2022-16. Mr. Leon reminded council the item was approved at first reading and there have been no changes from first reading. Mr. Leon stated staff recommends approval for second reading.

Mayor O'Connor asked for council comments. There being none, Mayor O'Connor called for public comments.

Mr. Doody asked for permission to clarify item for the record and council. Mr. Doody clarified this is a regulatory ordinance in nature and is intended to regulate sexually oriented businesses within the city of Westlake. These businesses are allowed in the city and are recognized as businesses but they have certain regulations. They will be limited to the hours of operations, they will not be allowed to sell alcohol and there is a distance requirement between schools, parks and other sexually oriented businesses. Mr. Doody wanted council to understand they are imposing a regulatory scheme on these businesses.

Mayor O'Connor asked for council comments. There being none, Mayor O'Connor called for public comments.

Ms. Burgess noted there were no public comment cards received prior to the meeting and gave the virtual audience a moment to comment.

Ms. Burgess noted there was a public comment from a virtual attendee from "Westlake Wanderer."

<u>Public Comment - Alicia Torres - 5847 Whippoorwill Circle</u> – Ms. Torres discussed the first reading of the ordinance and stated when the distance was discussed for these businesses a map was shown with the radius of where the business is allowed to be located. Ms. Torres asked if this radius included the elementary school that is coming into the city in 2027.

Mr. Cassel stated the proposed school is outside the boundaries that have been set by the ordinance.

Mayor O'Connor called for additional comments.

Ms. Burgess gave the virtual audience a moment to comment.

There being no additional comments, Mayor O'Connor called for a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-16.

Motion by Councilman Martinez to approve Ordinance 202-16, seconded by Councilwoman Valle Ron.

# UPON ROLL CALL:

Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

# NEW BUSINESS

A. FIRST READING: Ordinance 2023-01 – Chapter 3. Amendment (Essential Facilities and Services)
Submitted By: Planning and Zoning

# ORDINANCE NO. 2023-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2019-9 AS SET FORTH IN THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING

FOR THE CREATION OF SECTION 3 TO BE ENTITLED "ESSENTIAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES"; PROVIDING FOR ESSENTIAL FACILITIES SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR HEIGHT OF STRUCTURES; PROVIDING FOR SCREENING AND BUFFERING; PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS FROM PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SETBACK REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor O'Connor introduced item.

Mr. Doody read item, by title only, into the record.

Mayor O'Connor asked for staff presentation.

Mr. Leon stated staff recommends approval at first reading. Mr. Leon stated Seminole Improvement District will provide language that staff will review and will present at second reading with amended language.

Mayor O'Connor called for council comments.

Vice Mayor Langowski asked if the second reading would be in April or in May.

Mr. Cassel stated it would be in April.

Mayor O'Connor called for additional comments or questions. There being none, Mayor O'Connor asked for a motion for second reading.

Mr. Doody corrected Mayor and stated motion is for first reading.

Mayor O'Connor clarified, first reading of ordinance 2023-01.

Motion by Councilwoman Leonard to approve first reading of Ordinance 2023-01, seconded by Councilman Martinez.

#### UPON ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

B. Non-Exclusive Permissive Use Agreement

Submitted By: Administration

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2023-09**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY COUNCIL MEMBER TO EXECUTE THE NON-EXCLUSIVE PERMISSIVE USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE WESTLAKE RESIDENCES MASTER HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. AND THE CITY OF WESTLAKE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor O'Connor introduced item.

Mr. Doody read item, by title only, into the record.

Mayor O'Connor called for Mr. Cassel to further discuss item.

Mr. Cassel stated as the City continues to grow and the amenity center is finalized, Mr. Carter and Minto have offered to the City to utilize the facility for council meetings and events. This brings forward the need for the City to rent the space from Minto, whether it's half the space or the whole space. This agreement will include staff, cleanup, setup, and tear down. All items will be covered under this agreement. Mr. Cassel stated there will be an amendment to this agreement as to clarification on the payment of the use fee. This came up when a question was raised in the event something is cancelled. This will provide the City to get a credit if an event is cancelled within a timeframe and work out the details of the addendum. Mr. Cassel also stated they anticipated the city utilizing the space, their sound system is set up on a cart where it can be rolled out, put mics out and plug it into the sound system of the building and operate. Mr. Cassel stated our sound system will be stored in a room and locked. Mr. Cassel stated it has been a great relationship working with Minto to get this setup going.

Mayor O'Connor commented he has seen the facilities and stated it's a beautiful facility and he cannot wait for everyone else to see it. Mayor O'Connor stated his excitement to move the chambers and the city meetings to that space, he stated, facing the amenity center will allow more of the residents to attend the meetings as there is golf cart parking available and it is easier for the residents to attend these meetings. Mayor O'Connor asked for additional comments from Council. Mayor O'Connor asked if this was a vote.

Mr. Doody clarified item is a resolution and council should consider a motion to adopt the resolution. Mr. Doody asked if council like to address any questions.

Mayor O'Connor asked if item should be opened to public comments.

Mr. Doody stated if he cared to do so he could.

**Public Comment - Tara Duhy - On behalf of Westlake Residences Master HOA Inc.,** – Ms. Duhy wanted to confirm they are perfectly amendable to adjusting the agreements to make sure the city isn't charged for events that aren't held or space that isn't used. Ms. Duhy stated they will work with the city attorney to make that happen.

Mayor O'Connor called for public comments.

Ms. Burgess noted there were no public comment cards received prior to the meeting and gave the virtual audience a moment to comment.

There being no additional comments, Mayor O'Connor called for a motion to adopt Resolution 2023-09.

Motion by Councilwoman Valle Ron to adopt Resolution 2023-09, seconded by Councilwoman Leonard.

# UPON ROLL CALL:

Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

C. SpringFest Festival

Amended Agenda

Mayor O'Connor introduced item that was added to agenda and discussed item. Mayor O'Connor wanted to propose the very first City of Westlake Spring Festival. Mayor O'Connor reminded council they had previously agreed they would have quarterly events. Mayor O'Connor stated the last event was the Christmas pop up market. The Spring Festival event would be held on April 8<sup>th</sup>, the day before easter. Mayor O'Connor stated this event will include a helicopter dropping 10,000 eggs, easter bunnies, face painters, balloon twisters, candy, golden tickets and entertainment. Mayor O'Connor stated there are already generous sponsors who have lined up to cover the entire event. Mayor O'Connor stated they have already locked in five or so food trucks. Mayor O'Connor stated this is all assuming council agrees to move forward with the event. Mayor O'Connor asked if council does agree to move forward with the event, he would like to lock it in as an annual event hosted by the city.

Mayor O'Connor called for a motion to have a spring festival on an annual basis.

Council discussed event.

Councilwoman Leonard asked if this event caused any conflict with the association's upcoming events. Councilwoman Leonard stated the Adventure Park has something every year for easter for its residents.

Mayor O'Connor stated he did not think there was anything on that date with the association. Mayor O'Connor stated the Hammocks is having an event that day and there is a one hour overlap with the two events. Mayor O'Connor stated as the city event would be for everyone not just the hammocks it shouldn't be a problem.

Councilwoman Leonard mentioned the Hammocks event is open to all city residents.

Mayor O'Connor stated he will verify the dates and times.

**Public Comment -Tara Duhy - On behalf of Minto PBLH, LLC** – Ms. Duhy stated to the extent this event is taking place before the next council meeting, Minto is happy to enter into a Use Agreement for parking in substantially the same form that has been previously approved by the city. Ms. Duhy stated she will work with the city attorney to get the agreement executed in advance of the event.

Mr. Cassel stated the city will cover the insurance on the other items as well.

Mayor O'Connor asked to make the date of the event as pending. Mayor O'Connor wants to verify there is no overlap with whatever event Adventure Park is having. Mayor O'Connor asked for council direction, if it's possible to have a spring festival and if so if it can be an annual event.

Motion by Councilwoman Leonard to have a City wide easter egg event and make it an annual event, seconded by Councilman Martinez.

Mr. Doody asked what the date of the event would be.

Mayor O'Connor stated it would tentatively be the 8<sup>th</sup>.

Councilwoman Leonard stated to make it the second Saturday of the month as the date would change every year.

Mayor O'Connor stated he would like to have the event in April and asked for it to be an annual event in April.

Councilwoman Leonard asked to amend her motion.

Motion by Councilwoman Leonard to have a spring festival annually in the month of April in the City of Westlake, seconded by Councilman Martinez.

# UPON ROLL CALL:

Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES

Vice Mayor Langowski YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

D. Changing the Date of the April City Council Meeting

### Amended Agenda

Mayor O'Connor introduced item.

Mr. Cassel stated the city council meeting and the joint meeting with Seminole Improvement District Meeting will be held on the same day.

Vice Mayor Langowski stated he has a conflict for the date of the 11<sup>th</sup>, as he will be in Tampa for a few days. Council further discussed the best time for all to be present for the next meeting. Council agreed on Wednesday, April 26 to hold the April meeting and the Seminole Improvement District Joint meeting.

Mr. Cassel stated he is available on Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup> for the meetings. Mr. Cassel stated city council meeting will be held at 6:00 PM and the joint workshop with Seminole Improvement District Meeting will be held at 5:00 PM.

Mayor O'Connor asked if the park was being discussed at the joint meeting.

Mr. Cassel stated the meeting is for a combination of items. Mr. Cassel stated the city is supposed to have an annual joint meeting with Seminole Improvement District to make sure everything is being covered and on track.

Mayor O'Connor asked for clarification if the meeting is to be held on Wednesday, April 26.

Councilman Martinez asked if it mattered the May City Council meeting is the following week.

Council discussed and stated it was fine as is.

Mr. Doody asked for a motion to entertain a special meeting and a workshop for April 26, as this is not a regular schedule meeting.

Motion by Councilman Martinez to hold a special meeting and a workshop on April 26, seconded by Vice Mayor Langowski.

#### UPON ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

E. Proclamations Procedures

#### **Amended Agenda**

Mayor O'Connor introduced item.

Mayor O'Connor called on Mr. Cassel to discuss item.

Mr. Cassel stated once proclamations are received from a councilmember or a partner group like the county, council will be presented proposed proclamations outside of the agenda in advance. Proclamations will be voted on by council and added to agenda and the agenda will be amended to

add the proclamations. If council does not want a proposed proclamation, it will not be added to the agenda.

Mayor O'Connor asked if this item needed to be voted on.

Mr. Doody stated it does need a vote.

Mayor O'Connor called for a motion to add procedure for deciding on proclamations before adding them to the agenda.

Motion by Vice Mayor Langowski, seconded by Councilwoman Valle Ron.

# UPON ROLL CALL:

Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Valle Ron	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

# **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

A. Councilwoman Charlotte Leonard – Councilwoman Leonard did not have any comments.

B. Councilman Julian Martinez – Councilman Martinez stated he had a great time in Tallahassee for Palm Beach County Days, and he learned a lot.

C. Councilwoman Pilar Valle Ron – Councilwoman Valle Ron stated she is looking forward for April and all the upcoming events.

D. Vice Mayor Greg Langowski – Vice Mayor Langowski gave recognition to Palm Beach County Fire Rescue. Vice Mayor Langowski was able to do a hands on training with the fire department and expressed his appreciation and their help. Vice Mayor Langowski also mentioned the Education Youth Advisory Board is trying to schedule a meeting to meet on March 30<sup>th</sup>. Vice Mayor wanted to inform council he will bring up a potential idea to have an end of school event at adventure park for the schools in the city.

E. Mayor JohnPaul O'Connor – Mayor O'Connor stated after redistricting, a new senator was appointed for our district, Senator Harrell. Ms. Garrell was able to give the City of Westlake a shoutout on the senate floor mentioning the City of Westlake is the second youngest city in the State of Florida. Mayor O'Connor stated he is looking forward to April and all the events the City is offering. Mayor O'Connor asked Mr. Cassel if the city can go green for St. Patrick's Day by changing the lights.

Mr. Cassel stated he will forward the request to Seminole Improvement District to change the colors on the lights, and further discussion to add lights to the monuments.

# **REPORT - STAFF**

A. Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office - 2022 District 18 Annual Report

Captain Turner presented the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office 2022 District 18 Annual Report.

B. Palm Beach County Fire Rescue - February 2023 Report

Chief Oliverra has been promoted and transferred. They are still discussing who will take his place.

# **REPORT - CITY ATTORNEY**

# **REPORT - CITY MANAGER**

Mr. Cassel discussed upcoming Safety Awareness Day. Mr. Cassel stated a meeting was held with Sergeant Gaudreau from Palm Beach Sheriff's office to discuss FourthFest and the logistics, Mr. Cassel also mentioned the James Business Center is being built all at the same time and are fully leased.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

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Ms. Burgess gave the virtual audience a moment to comment.

# ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 7:34 PM.

Zoie P. Burgess, City Clerk

JohnPaul O'Connor, Mayor