

CITY OF WESTLAKE



MINUTES

City Council Budget Workshop

Tuesday, August 05, 2025 at 5:00 PM

The Lodge at Westlake Adventure Park
5490 Kingfisher Blvd.
Westlake, Florida 33470

CITY COUNCIL:

JohnPaul O'Connor, Mayor
Greg Langowski, Vice Mayor
Gary Werner, Council Member – Seat 1
Eric Gleason, 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
Osniel Leon, AICP, Planning and Zoning
Suzanne Dombrowski, P.E., ENV SP, Engineering

[TENTATIVE: SUBJECT TO REVISION]

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor O'Connor called the City Council Budget Workshop on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, to order at 5:01 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present and constituting a quorum:

Councilman Gary Werner
Councilman Erik Gleason
Vice Mayor Greg Langowski
Mayor JohnPaul O'Connor

Also present:

Kenneth Cassel, City Manager
Zoie Burgess, CMC City Clerk
Odet Izquierdo, Deputy City Clerk
Osniel Leon, AICP, Planning and Zoning
Santiago Cleves, Associate Planner

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor O'Connor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

WORKSHOP AGENDA

A. Budget Worksheet

Mr. Cassel presented the updated budget worksheet to the Council. He explained that the document contained updated numbers from the previous budget workshop.

A discussion ensued about the appropriate millage rate.

After discussion, the consensus was to move forward with a 4.65 millage rate for the first budget hearing, with the understanding that they would review detailed financial impacts of different millage options at the next workshop.

Mr. Cassel confirmed the next budget hearings would be held on September 3 and September 11.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

- A. Councilman Erik Gleason – No additional comments.
- B. Councilman Gary Werner – No additional comments.
- C. Vice Mayor Greg Langowski – No additional comments.
- D. Mayor JohnPaul O'Connor – No additional comments.

CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS

No additional comments.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

No additional comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This section of the agenda allows for comments from the public to speak. Each speaker will be given a total of three (3) minutes to comment. A public comment card should be completed and returned to the City Clerk. When you are called to speak, please go to the podium, and prior to addressing Council, state your name and address for the record. All public comments will be noted and may receive a response if necessary. Any follow-up will be handled by staff later.

There being no public comments, the next item followed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 5:26 PM

Zoie P. Burgess, City Clerk

JohnPaul O'Connor, Mayor