

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Regular Session, on November 5, 2018 beginning at 6:00 P.M., in the City Council Chambers, located at City Hall 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION - Mayor Stephen Witt

1. ROLL CALL

Mayor/Council Member	Stephen M. Witt
Vice Mayor/Council Member	Jake Hill, Jr.
City Council	Eugene Jefferson
	Melinda Moses
	George Ward
City Attorney	Frederick Koberlein, Sr.
City Manager	Joseph Helfenberger
Sergeant-at-Arms	Chief Gerald Butler
Acting City Clerk	Katy McCrary

2. PROCLAMATIONS

None

3. MINUTES

None

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Jefferson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Moses seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

None

6. PRESENTATIONS

None

7. PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

None

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES:

At this time Mayor Witt closed the regular session and opened a public hearing for the purpose of hearing comments on City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2100. City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2100 was read by title.

Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2100, no one asked to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2100, therefore Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

B. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2100 (final reading), if adopted, will amend the City Code to add a new Section Number 86-110.11 to Article III, Chapter 86, which provides for the permanent closing, vacating and abandoning of all of that portion of an undeveloped street titled "Future Street R/W" according to a plat of Lake Forest recorded in Plat Book 3, page 59, of the public records of Columbia County, Florida; finding that the platted street has never been opened, maintained, improved or used by the City for any purpose; finding that the closing, vacating, and abandoning of the street will not adversely affect the public health, safety, or welfare; finding that it is in the best interest of the City and for the general welfare of its citizens to close, vacate, and abandon the street; finding that the street is surplus to the needs of the City; authorizing the City to convey to the abutting property owners by Quit-Claim Deed to the centerline of the vacated street which abuts their respective properties; providing waiver of the City's reservation of a perpetual easement for utilities over, under or across the vacated street; providing for severability; providing for repeal of ordinances in conflict; providing for inclusion into the City Code; and providing an effective date. **Ms. Moses made a motion to adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2100, amending the City Code to add a new Section Number 86-110.11 to Article III, Chapter 86, which provides for the permanent closing, vacating and abandoning of all of that portion of an undeveloped street titled "Future Street R/W" according to a plat of Lake Forest recorded in Plat Book 3, page 59, of the public records of Columbia County, Florida; finding that the platted street has never been opened, maintained, improved or used by the City for any purpose; finding that the closing, vacating, and abandoning of the street will not adversely affect the public health, safety, or welfare; finding that it is in the best interest of the City and for the general welfare of its citizens to close, vacate, and abandon the street; finding that the street is surplus to the needs of the City; authorizing the City to convey to the abutting property owners by Quit-Claim Deed to the centerline of the vacated street which abuts their respective properties; providing waiver of the City's reservation of a perpetual easement for utilities over, under or across the vacated street; providing for severability; providing for repeal of ordinances in conflict; providing for inclusion into the City Code; and**

providing an effective date. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

Ms. Moses	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

9. NEW BUSINESS
A. ORDINANCES:

At this time Mayor Witt closed the regular session and opened a public hearing for the purpose of hearing comments on City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2101. City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2101 was read by title. Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2101, no asked to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2101, therefore Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

B. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. Ordinance No. 2018-2101 (first reading), if adopted, relates to the voluntary annexation of the Cecilia S. Davis property located at 2932 U S Highway 441, Lake City, Florida into the boundaries of the City of Lake City. Mr. Jefferson made a motion to adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2018-2101, relating to the voluntary annexation of the Cecilia S. Davis property located at 2932 U S Highway 441, Lake City, Florida into the boundaries of the City of Lake City. Ms. Moses seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Ms. Moses	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

C. RESOLUTIONS:

1. City Council Resolution No. 2018-096, if adopted, will approve, confirm and ratify Modification Number One to Subgrant Agreement between the Department of Economic Opportunity and the City. Mr. Jefferson made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2018-096, approving, confirming, and ratifying Modification Number One to Subgrant Agreement between the Department of Economic Opportunity and the City. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

Mr. Jefferson Aye
Mr. Ward Aye
Ms. Moses Aye
Mr. Hill Aye
Mayor Witt Aye

2. City Council Resolution No. 2018-097, if adopted, will authorize a second amendment to the Annual Operating Budget of the City for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2018, and adopted by Resolution No. 2017-078. **Ms. Moses made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2018-097, authorizing a second amendment to the Annual Operating Budget of the City for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2018, and adopted by Resolution No. 2017-078. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Ms. Moses Aye
Mr. Ward Aye
Mr. Jefferson Aye
Mr. Hill Aye
Mayor Witt Aye

3. City Council Resolution No. 2018-098, if adopted, will authorize the City to enter into Task Assignment Number Four to its basic contract with Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc. for professional consulting services and assistance of consultant to prepare two spill prevention countermeasures and control plans at the St. Margarets and Kigklighter Wastewater Treatment Facilities and one above ground limited storage tank closure at the St. Margarets Wastewater Treatment Facility; and to pay a not-to-exceed amount of \$7,950.00. **Mr. Ward made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2018-098, authorizing the City to enter into Task Assignment Number Four to its basic contract with Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc. for professional consulting services and assistance of consultant to prepare two spill prevention countermeasures and control plans at the St. Margarets and Kigklighter Wastewater Treatment Facilities and one above ground limited storage tank closure at the St. Margarets Wastewater Treatment Facility; and to pay a not-to-exceed amount of \$7,950.00. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Ward Aye
Mr. Hill Aye
Mr. Jefferson Aye
Ms. Moses Aye
Mayor Witt Aye

4. City Council Resolution No. 2018-099, if adopted, will accept the bid of O'Neal Companies, Inc., in the amount of \$51,259.60 for an emergency purchase and installation of façade safety netting at the City Hall Building and authorizes the City to enter into a contract with O'Neal Companies, Inc., for the project. **Ms. Moses made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2018-099, accepting the bid of O'Neal Companies, Inc., in the amount of \$51,259.60 for an emergency purchase and installation of façade safety netting at the City Hall Building and authorizes the City to enter into a contract with O'Neal Companies, Inc., for the project. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Ms. Moses	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

5. City Council Resolution No. 2018-100, if adopted, will authorize the City to retain the firm of Douglas & Carter to represent the City and City Officials in connection with a civil lawsuit, titled George, ET AL V. Jefferson, ET AL, pursuant to and in accordance with the Fee Agreement. **Mr. Ward made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2018-100, authorizing the City to retain the firm of Douglas & Carter to represent the City and City Officials in connection with a civil lawsuit, titled George, ET AL V. Jefferson, ET AL, pursuant to and in accordance with the Fee Agreement. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Ms. Moses	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

10. DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

A. Update on Wilson Park Project (Joe Helfenberger)

Mr. Helfenberger stated the bids received for the project were \$300,000 over budget. He worked with Public Works Director Thomas Henry on reducing the bid price. They were able to reduce the bid price by using staff for some of the project work.

The project's band shell was done as a separate bid and they are looking into grants to possibly cover this cost.

B. Update on the Greater Lake City Community Development Corporation, Lester McKellum, funding request for housing project (Joe Helfenberger)

The funding request was previously recommended by the Community Redevelopment Advisory Committee on the condition of the funds being available. Mr. Helfenberger suggested Mr. McKellum be reimbursed on a pro-rated condition with quarterly reports to the Community Redevelopment Agency. An agreement will be presented to the Community Redevelopment Agency for approval prior to the next Council meeting.

11. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Hill asked if a start date has been set for the Gwen Lake project.

Mr. Helfenberger stated he does not have the start date. Once Mr. Helfenberger has the timetable for the project he will inform Council and public.

Mr. Ward stated this is his last full Council meeting as a Council member. He thanked members for a rewarding twenty-one years and believes a lot has been accomplished in that time.

12. ADJOURNMENT

All matters having been handled, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m. on a motion made and duly seconded.



Stephen M. Witt, Mayor/Council Member



Katy McCrary, Deputy City Clerk