

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Regular Session, on May 3, 2021 beginning at 6:00 P.M., at the Columbia County School Board Administrative Complex Auditorium located at 372 West Duval Street, Lake City, FL 32055, and via Communications Media Technology.

INVOCATION – Mayor Stephen Witt

ROLL CALL

Mayor/Council Member	Stephen M. Witt
Vice Mayor/Council Member	Chris Greene
City Council	Jake Hill, Jr.
	Eugene Jefferson
	C. Todd Sampson
City Attorney	Frederick Koberlein, Jr.
City Manager	Joseph Helfenberger
Sergeant-at-Arms	Chief Argatha Gilmore
City Clerk	Audrey Sikes

PROCLAMATIONS

1. Proclamation – Municipal Clerks Week (May 2 – 8, 2021).

Mayor Witt presented City Clerk Audrey Sikes with the Municipal Clerks Week Proclamation.

MINUTES – None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Witt stated there was a group from Columbia High School doing Parliamentary procedures led by City Attorney Fred Koberlein. He also added an Emergency walk-on of a grant for the Airport that he would like to make item number 12. **Mr. Sampson made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Mr. Hill seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA – None

PRESENTATIONS

Columbia High School Students

There was a seven-minute presentation on Parliamentary procedures led by the students from Columbia High School. They were coached by City Attorney Fred Koberlein.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by students from Columbia High School.

PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL – None

OLD BUSINESS

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. 2020-2174. City Council Ordinance 2020-2174 was read by title. Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance 2020-2174. No one asked to be heard therefore Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

2. City Council Ordinance No. 2020-2174 - (final reading) An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida amending Section 102-36 of the City Code to provide for the waiver of impact fees for the development and construction of affordable housing; providing for repeal of ordinances in conflict; providing for severability; providing for codification; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Sampson made a motion to adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2020-2174, on final reading, amending Section 102-36 of the City Code to provide for the waiver of impact fees for the development and construction of affordable housing. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Greene	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

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. 2021-2180. City Council Ordinance 2021-2180 was read by title. Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance 2021-2180. No one asked to be heard therefore Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

3. City Council Ordinance No. 2021-2180 - (final reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida amending the City Code to add a new section number 86-110.16 to Article III, Chapter 86, which provides for the permanent closing of all of that portion of NW Ridge Street lying in block 122 of the northern division of the City; finding that the street was abandoned by the City; finding that the closing of the roadway 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 the roadway; providing for the repeal of conflicting ordinances; providing for severability; providing for inclusion into the City code; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Jefferson made a motion to adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2021-2180, on final reading, amending the City Code to add a new section number 86-110.16 to Article III, Chapter 86, which provides for the permanent closing of all of that portion of NW Ridge Street lying in block 122 of the northern division of the City; finding that the street was abandoned by the City; finding that the closing of the roadway 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 the roadway. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Greene	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

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. 2021-2186. City Council Ordinance 2021-2186 was read by title. Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance 2021-2186. No one asked to be heard therefore Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

- City Council Ordinance No. 2021-2186 - (final reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending the official zoning atlas of the City of Lake City Land Development Regulations, as amended, relating to the rezoning of less than ten contiguous acres of land, pursuant to an application, Z 21-01, by the property owners of said acreage; providing for rezoning from Commercial General (CG) to Commercial, Intensive (CI) of certain lands within the corporate limits of the City of Lake City, Florida; providing severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict; and providing an effective date. (Camancho De Freitas/Cueller). **Mr. Greene made a motion to adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2021-2186, on final reading, amending the official zoning atlas of the City of Lake City Land Development Regulations, as amended, relating to the rezoning of less than ten contiguous acres of land, pursuant to an application, Z 21-01, by the property owners of said acreage; providing for rezoning from Commercial General (CG) to Commercial, Intensive (CI) of certain lands within the corporate limits of the City of Lake City, Florida. Mr. Sampson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Greene	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

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. 2021-2187. City Council Ordinance 2021-2187 was read by title. Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance 2021-2187. No one asked to be heard therefore Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

- City Council Ordinance No. 2021-2187 - (final reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending the official zoning atlas of the City of Lake City Land Development Regulations, as amended; relating to the rezoning of less than ten contiguous acres of land, pursuant to an application, Z 21-02, by the property owners of said acreage; providing for rezoning from Residential, Single Family-3 (RSF-3) to Residential, Office (RO) of certain lands within the corporate limits of the City of Lake City, Florida; providing severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict; and providing an effective date. (Zecher Construction) **Mr. Jefferson made a motion to adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2021-2187, on final reading, amending the official zoning**

atlas of the City of Lake City Land Development Regulations, as amended; relating to the rezoning of less than ten contiguous acres of land, pursuant to an application, Z 21-02, by the property owners of said acreage; providing for rezoning from Residential, Single Family-3 (RSF-3) to Residential, Office (RO) of certain lands within the corporate limits of the City of Lake City, Florida. Mr. Sampson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Greene	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

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. 2021-2189. City Council Ordinance 2021-2189 was read by title. Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard regarding City Council Ordinance 2021-2189. Public Comment: Bea Coker asked Council to consider meaningful ways the fees can be put back into the community when establishing a temporary moratorium. At this time Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

6. City Council Ordinance No. 2021-2189 - (final reading) - An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, establishing a temporary moratorium for 180 days related to the issuance of new business tax receipts that are related to activities that include electronic simulated gaming promotions or electronic sweepstakes; excepting renewals of existing business tax receipts; providing for penalties; providing for severability; providing for conflicts; and providing an effective date. (Internet Cafe's) **Mr. Greene made a motion to adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2021-2189 on final reading, establishing a temporary moratorium for 180 days related to the issuance of new business tax receipts that are related to activities that include electronic simulated gaming promotions or electronic sweepstakes; excepting renewals of existing business tax receipts. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Greene	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

## NEW BUSINESS

### Resolutions

7. City Council Resolution No. 2021-064 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending Resolution 2021-014 to authorize a Five-Year Lease to Purchase Agreement with Leasing 2, Inc., to lease and purchase one Vac-Con vacuum truck at a maximum five-year lease price of \$437,682.95. **Mr. Greene made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2021-064, amending Resolution 2021-064 to authorize a Five-Year Lease to Purchase Agreement with Leasing 2, Inc., to lease**

and purchase one Vac-Con vacuum truck at a maximum five-year lease price of \$437,682.95. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

Mr. Greene	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

8. City Council Resolution No. 2021-065 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, ratifying the Mayors extension of the State of Emergency arising from the Covid-19 Public Health Emergency. **Mr. Jefferson made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2021-065, ratifying the Mayors extension of the State of Emergency arising from the Covid-19 Public Health Emergency. Mr. Greene seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Greene	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

9. City Council Resolution No. 2021-067 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing the execution of the agreement titled "Airport Coronavirus Relief Grant Program (ACRGP) Grant Agreement" offered by the United States of America, through the Federal Aviation Administration; awarding a maximum amount of \$23,000.00 to the City; providing an expiration date for the grant; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Sampson made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2021-067, authorizing the execution of the agreement titled "Airport Coronavirus Relief Grant Program (ACRGP) Grant Agreement" offered by the United States of America, through the Federal Aviation Administration; awarding a maximum amount of \$23,000.00 to the City. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Greene	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

10. City Council Resolution No. 2021-068 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida authorizing the acceptance of a county deed from Columbia County, Florida for the parcel of property known as Olustee Park and located within the municipal limits. **Mr. Jefferson made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2021-068, authorizing the acceptance of a county deed from Columbia County, Florida for the parcel of property known as Olustee Park and located within the municipal limits. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Greene	Nay
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

11. City Council Resolution No. 2021-069 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for participation in the methamphetamine clandestine drug laboratory hazardous waste authorized central storage container program. **Mr. Greene made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2021-069, authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for participation in the methamphetamine clandestine drug laboratory hazardous waste authorized central storage container program. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Greene	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

12. EDA Grant for Airport – Emergency Walk-on  
 Mr. Helfenberger addressed Council on the EDA Grant to install fire suppression equipment in two of the Haeco Hangers which would make them eligible for military and other contracts, with a total for repairs of \$3,020,675.00. Mr. Helfenberger stated this would need to be listed as an emergency as he only discovered the grant today and an application would need to be submitted on Friday. **Mr. Sampson made a motion to authorize on an Emergency Basis acceptance of the EDA Grant for installing fire suppression equipment in two of the Haeco hangers which would make them eligible for military and other contracts, with a total cost for repairs of \$3,020,675.00. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Greene	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Helfenberger stated he will be attending the County meeting to speak with them about participating in the cleanup day which will be on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ADJOURNMENT

**All matters having been handled, the meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m. on a motion made and duly seconded.**

Audrey Sikes, MMC City Clerk