



## Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2015

Mayor Gib Coerper  
Vice Mayor Ben Boukari, Jr.  
Commissioner Gary Hardacre  
Commissioner Robert Wilford  
Commissioner Shirley Green Brown

City Manager Traci L. Gresham  
City Attorney Marian Rush

The City Commission will conduct a  
**Regular City Commission Meeting**  
**At 6:30 PM**  
to address the item(s) below.

**Meeting Date:** October 26, 2015

**Meeting Location:** James A. Lewis Commission Chambers, City Hall

**CITIZENS PRESENT:** Kara Davis, Tony Flegert, Jeannette Hinsdale, Myron Jenkins, Elisabeth Manley, Rhonda Mowry, Paul Stresing, David Wisner

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Commissioner Shirley Green Brown

**STAFF ATTENDING:** Robert Bonetti, Adam Boukari, Marcus Collins, Alan Henderson, Damon Messina, Cap Wilson

### CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Notice given pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes. In order to appeal any decision made at this meeting, you will need a verbatim record of the proceedings. It will be your responsibility to ensure such a record is made.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Called to order by Mayor Gib Coerper.

#### INVOCATION

Led by Nyron Jenkins.

#### PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Led by Mayor Coerper.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Robert Wilford moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Vice Mayor Ben Boukari, Jr.

Passed by unanimous consent.

## **APPROVE READING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE ONLY**

**Commissioner Gary Hardacre moved to approve reading of proposed ordinances and resolutions by title only; seconded by Vice Mayor Boukari.**

**Passed by unanimous consent.**

### **II. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

### **III. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON SUBJECT OF CHOICE**

**(Please Limit to 3 Minutes.** Any citizen who is unable to speak at this time will have an opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting.

Jeannette Hinsdale expressed her concerns about the capacity of the TK Basin and the approach of the City to stormwater management with new development in the area.

### **III. COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **A. North Central Florida Regional Planning Council Update**

Mayor Coerper introduced the item.

Commissioner Wilford presented the update of the September 24, 2015 meeting.

### **IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES**

(Presentations, other than the applicant, please limit to **3 Minutes**)

#### **A. Ordinance 15-12 Second Reading; Amending portions of Chapter 38 Article III of the Code of Ordinances**

**City Attorney Marian Rush provided the second and final reading of Ordinance 15-12 by title only.**

Public Services Director Marcus Collins introduced the item and presented the staff report.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

**Vice Mayor Boukari moved to adopt Ordinance 15-12 on Second and Final Reading; seconded by Commissioner Hardacre.**

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

**Passed 5-0 on roll call vote.**

### **V. AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **A. Legacy Park Master Plan**

Assistant City Manager Adam Boukari introduced the item.

The design team report was presented by Elisabeth Manley of Buford Davis & Associates with Tony Flegert of CHW Professional Consultants and Paul Stresing of Paul Stresing Architects.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

Vice Mayor Boukari asked about placement of the amphitheater with regards to noise, stage size, and seating capacity.

Mayor Coerper commented on the buffering for residential areas and integration with existing Hal Brady Recreation Complex.

Commissioner Wilford asked about the cost and financing with banks or bonds over time attempting the development in phases.

**Vice Mayor Boukari moved to approve the Legacy Park Master Plan; seconded by Commissioner Wilford.**

Mayor Coerper asked if this Master Plan locked future improvements into for future elected approvals.

Assistant City Manager Boukari said the Commission did not have the authority to bind future commissioners into such action. He said the plan approval was necessary to move forward with the project, but it does not mean there will be no changes to the plan going forward.

Vice Mayor Boukari asked how Commission and citizen concerns and input would be integrated into the plan as the development moved forward.

Ms. Manley said that this was for the commissioners to decide. She said that it could be accomplished by a revisiting clause setting a specific time for review or a more long-term re-evaluation with designers brought back into the process.

Commissioner Wilford also pointed out that it will come up as a budget issue every year as well.

Assistant City Manager agreed this would be a budget issue with not just each phase but also for each component within the design as the master plan is a conceptual design at this point; so the flexibility for change is inherent within it.

Commissioner Hardacre said he would like to see the current football field considered as improvements are weighed for the development.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

Jeannette Hinsdale said the plan is very exciting. She said she would like to see the input of senior citizens in the design of the multi-purpose building, thought given to retaining the rolling hills of the property, and the use of non-potable water for the toilets.

**Passed 5-0 on roll call vote.**

**B. Alachua County Request of City's Position Relating to Proposed Nov. 2016 Ballot Referendum Language**

Assistant City Manager Boukari introduced the item and presented the staff report.

City Attorney Rush provided the statutory basis for the County's plans to use a discretionary surtax and the City's options on responding to the County's request for input.

Commissioner Wilford said he would like the City Manager to inquire how the County came up with the proposed split in funds in the event the tax referendum passed. He expressed his misgivings with the language the County proposes to use.

Mayor Coerper said he would like to know if the projects, or changes to the projects proposed for the use of any funds that came to the City would be dictated by the County or would be part of the City's master plan.

Vice Mayor Boukari said he did not like the split either as he thinks the formula is flawed because people from all over the county use the City's recreational facilities and the County does not provide recreational funding to the municipalities. He said he would support sending the County a list of proposed projects, but not to transferring any authority within those projects to the County.

Commissioner Hardacre said he did not think the County should have any oversight into projects developed in the City even if the money was coming from a County surtax.

The commissioners discussed with the City Attorney and the Assistant City Manager alternate calculations that could be suggested for the split of any surtax funds and the language used to describe the planned use of the surtax funds as well as the options available to the City in the response that could be crafted to the County.

**Vice Mayor Boukari moved to have staff draft a letter for the Mayor's signature to the County stating the City Commission discussed the ballot initiative and is requesting additional information related to the administration of the proposed surtax, including the oversight committee, project list development, funding splits and methodologies; and that the letter is not to be construed as the City Commission taking a position for or against the proposed initiative; seconded by Commissioner Wilford.**

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

Jeannette Hinsdale expressed her support for the intent of what she says the County is trying to accomplish and for Amendment One at the State level. She said her concern is for the water and that maintaining land for conservation to protect the water. She said the Commission should be watching the legislators in Tallahassee and making sure they do what the voters intended with the passage of Amendment One.

**Passed 5-0 on roll call vote.**

#### **VI. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON SUBJECT OF CHOICE**

**(Please Limit to 3 Minutes.** Any citizen who did not speak during the Citizen Comments period at the beginning of the meeting may do so at this time.)

There were no comments.

#### **VII. COMMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY**

There were no comments.

#### **VIII. COMMISSION COMMENTS/DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Wilford said the Santa Fe Police Department received the Prevention Award of the Year for the State. He said the Turkey Creek Master Owners' Association had voted to purchase the golf course with 75% of the homeowners in agreement. He thanked Mayor Coerper and Vice Mayor Boukari for showing up for the vote.

Commissioner Hardacre said he is pleased with the decision of the Turkey Creek Master Owners Association to purchase the golf course. He said the Suwannee River Water Management District had filled the executive director position. He said the group has lost 16 of its most talented employees and a committee is being formed to investigate the cause of the talent exodus. He said the next meeting will be November 12th in Cedar Key.

Vice Mayor Boukari asked that people support trick-or-treat on Main Street as it will be competing with the conclusion of the Florida-Georgia game.

Mayor Coerper congratulated Turkey Creek. He said everyone was excited about the opening of Publix and reminded everyone that costumes for Halloween on Main Street are for all ages.

## **ADJOURN**

**Commissioner Wilford moved to adjourn; seconded by Vice Mayor Boukari.**

**Passed by unanimous consent.**

<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>
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## **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

### **A. October 12, 2015 City Commission Meeting Minutes**

ATTEST:

CITY COMMISSION OF THE  
CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA

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Traci L. Gresham, City Manager/Clerk

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Gib Coerper, Mayor