

City of Davenport Regular Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2021

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Davenport, Florida, held Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Room after having been properly advertised with the following members present: Mayor H.B. Robinson and Commission Members: Vice-Mayor Brynn Summerlin, Commissioner Tom Fellows and Commissioner Jeremy Clark. Also present: City Manager Kelly Callihan and City Attorney Tom Cloud. Absent and excused was Commissioner Bobby Lynch.

Mayor Robinson declared a quorum present and opened the meeting with invocation and a salute to the flag.

The Proclamation declaring the month of June as “LGBT+ Pride Month” was read out loud by the City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion by Vice-Mayor and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve the Order of Business. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Howard Gill with True Blue Winery announced that they were once again sponsoring a 5K Race (Turkey Run) November 14th and proceeds would benefit St. Jude Children’s Hospital. The City Manager stated that staff would work with Mr. Gill.

There being no one else, the Mayor closed Public Comment.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Clark and seconded by Commissioner Fellows to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the May 17, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting and the May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion or public input.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 992 TO APPROVE THE REZONING TO 1104 HWY. 17/92 FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN (RS) TO COMMERCIAL 1 (C-1)**

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 992 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Zoning Plan Amendment and there were no changes.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Fellows and seconded by Vice-Mayor Summerlin to approve Ordinance No. 992 on its second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

2. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 994 TO APPROVE THE REZONING TO 837 DAVENPORT BOULEVARD FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN (RS) TO RESIDENTIAL 5 (R-5)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 994 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Zoning Plan Amendment and there were no changes.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Summerlin and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Ordinance No. 994 on its second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

3. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 996 TO APPROVE THE REZONING TO 656 HOLLY HILL ROAD FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL LOW 2 (RL-2) TO RESIDENTIAL ESTATES 2 (RE-2)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 996 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Zoning Plan Amendment and there were no changes.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Clark and seconded by Commissioner Fellows to approve on second and final reading Ordinance No. 996. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

4. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 998 TO APPROVE THE REZONING TO 214 HOLLY HILL ROAD FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL LOW 2 (RL-2) TO RESIDENTIAL ESTATES 2 (RE-2)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 998 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Zoning Plan Amendment and there were no changes.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Fellows and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Ordinance No. 998 on its second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

5. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1000 TO APPROVE THE REZONING TO 620 SYLVAN RAMBLE ROAD FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN (RS) TO MANUFACTURE HOME 1 (MH-1)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1000 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Zoning Plan Amendment and there were no changes.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Summerlin and seconded by Commissioner Fellows to approve Ordinance No. 1000 on its second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

6. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1002 TO APPROVE THE REZONING TO 1515 NORTH BOULEVARD WEST FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL LOW 1 (RL-1) TO RESIDENTIAL ESTATES 1 (RE-1)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1002 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Zoning Plan Amendment and there were no changes.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Fellows and seconded by Vice-Mayor Summerlin to approve Ordinance No. 1002 on its second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

7. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1004 TO APPROVE THE REZONING TO 622 PARK ROAD FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL LOW 1 (RL-1) TO MANUFACTURE HOME 1 (MH-1)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1004 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Zoning Plan Amendment and there were no changes.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Clark and seconded by Commissioner Fellows to approve on second and final reading Ordinance No. 1004. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

8. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1005 TO APPROVE THE LAND USE PLANNED AMENDMENT (LUPA) TO 0 PALM STREET FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM (RM) TO RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM (RM)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1005 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Land Use Planned Amendment from Polk County Residential Medium (RM) to Residential Medium (RM). Raymond advised that this item had been tabled at the April 19th meeting.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Summerlin and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Ordinance No. 1005 on its second and final reading.

Commissioner Fellows questioned what RM allowed the owner to do. Raymond responded that it provided more density per acre. The Attorney further questioned if the County's was higher or the same. Raymond responded that the County was higher. It allowed 10 units per acre and the City allowed 9.99 units per acre.

There being no further discussion, the Mayor called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

9. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1008 TO APPROVE THE REZONING TO 926 GOTTS ROAD FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN (RS) TO RESIDENTIAL ESTATES 1 (RE-1)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1008 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Zoning Plan Amendment and there were no changes since the last hearing.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Fellows and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Ordinance No. 1008 on its second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

10. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1009 TO APPROVE THE REZONING TO 1501 NORTH BOULEVARD WEST FROM RESIDENTIAL ESTATES 1 (RE-1) TO RESIDENTIAL 2 (R-2)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1009 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez provided that this was a Zoning Plan Amendment and there were no changes since the last hearing.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Clark and seconded by Vice-Mayor Summerlin to approve on second and final reading Ordinance No. 1009. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

1. APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATION ON HOW TO UTILIZE REBATE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM FLORIDA LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE CONSORTIUM (FLGHIC), THE CITY'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER FROM FY 2019-2020

The City Manager informed them that they had discussed this at their last meeting. As they recalled, the City had received a rebate of \$167,137.84. Staff had discussions on ways to utilize these funds to continue reinforcing the need for good health among its employees. Based upon these discussions the following recommendation was being presented for their approval.

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| • A One-time payment of \$1,000 to current employees | \$64,000.00 |
| • Continuation of Employee Health Programs | \$25,000.00 |
| • City Reserves | \$78,137.84 |

The City Manager further informed them that they were looking at no increase to their insurance this year.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Summerlin and seconded by Commissioner Fellows to approve staff recommendation for the rebate funds received from Florida Local Government Health Insurance Consortium (FLGHIC).

Brief discussion ensued with the Commission agreeing favorably to the idea of giving the employees the \$1,000. It was great that they had gotten it and could share it with the employees. After the year they just had and to get a rebate was a good thing.

There being no other discussion, the Mayor called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

2. REQUEST TO APPROVE THE FIREWORKS DISPLAY CONTRACT WITH FIREWORKS BY SANTORE AND ENTER INTO A MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT

Parks & Recreation Superintendent Danny McCain advised that staff was once again bringing them this item for approval of the contract for Fireworks by Santore. Staff was also recommending a multi-year contract which would lock the price for the next 3 years as follows: July 2021 - \$32,000, July 2022 - \$34,000 and July 2023 - \$34,000.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Summerlin and seconded by Commissioner Clark to enter into a 3 year contract with Fireworks by Santore. Motion carried unanimously.

3. REQUEST TO APPROVE THE FY21/22 STATE HIGHWAY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE AND COMPENSATION AGREEMENT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT)

The City Manager explained that this was the annual contract between the City and FDOT for highway lighting maintenance.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Clark and seconded by Commissioner Fellows to approve the FY21/22 State Highway Lighting Maintenance and Compensation Agreement. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

The City Manager drew their attention to the Project List and Monthly Departmental reports in front of them. He pointed out the 95 residential permits issued last month and stated that they were on scheduled to probably issue the same if not more this month. Also, there had been 91 new meters installed in April and 84 in May.

In addition:

- The Developer was clearing the Martin property which consists of 509 homes
- Forest Lake and Holly Hill property recently annexed will have 500+ homes
- Meeting with Pulte to finalize annexation of property off Holly Hill Road extending to Highway 27.
- He had also contact the EDC to collect all the funds and assets. Mrs. Pierson had advised him that she was waiting for their Attorney to approve it. He was asking for direction to instruct the Attorney to send them a letter and letting them know that the City needed these items by next Monday and hand deliver it to her. This met with the consensus of the Commission.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT – Nothing to report.

CITY CLERK REPORT

The City Clerk reminded everyone to fill out and turn in their Statement of Financial Interests form. She also reminded them of the Ridge League of Cities dinner Tuesday, June 15th in Lakeland.

CITY COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Clark thanked the City Manager and Staff for the amazing job they were doing. They made their job easy and he appreciated everything they did. He also shared that he had attended a FLC conference this weekend and he had learned a lot about other cities and Davenport was doing well.

Commissioner Fellows also agreed that Staff made their job easy and appreciated it.

The Vice-Mayor agreed with both Commissioners. He also voiced his concern with the Police Department's increase in calls and would assume that this was based on the growth. However, he wanted to make sure the Department was adequately staffed and equipped.

The City Manager provided that last year during Covid they didn't know what was going to happen so he had instructed them to stay to the bare minimum but if they had to have it then it would place it in the budget. However, they were not shy about asking for anything. He further advised that Staff had done a salary survey this year. They hadn't done anything for Police and Fire the last 2 years. They had gotten an increase 3 years ago and it still hadn't got them caught up. Their main goal was to get the salaries up in comparison to other cities to help retain employees.

He also stated that Donald and him would be meeting with the employees on their budgets this week and hoped to bring a budget to them early July. He was looking at setting a budget workshop at their next meeting for possibly July 8th.

The Mayor asked if they were still using Reserve Officers. Chief Holden responded that he had done away with them, but was looking at bringing them back to help at special events or things of this nature.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Clark and seconded by Commissioner Fellows.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Minutes are true and correct.

Raquel Castillo, City Clerk