



CITY OF OKEECHOBEE
55 SE THIRD AVENUE, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974
MAY 5, 2020
6:00 PM
REGULAR MEETING
OFFICIAL AGENDA

Mayor
Dowling R. Watford, Jr.
Council Members
Wes Abney
Monica Clark
Bob Jarriel
Bobby Keefe

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-69, issued by the Office of Governor Ron DeSantis on March 20, 2020, municipalities may conduct meetings of their governing boards without having a quorum of its members present physically or at any specific location, and utilizing communications media technology (CMT) such as telephonic or video conferencing, as provided by Section 120.54(5)(b)2, Florida Statutes.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ATTENDANCE

III. AGENDA AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. Requests for the addition, deferral or withdrawal of agenda items.
- B. Motion to adopt agenda.
- C. Public participation for any issues not on the agenda requires an Agenda Item Form or a Comment Card. Citizen comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker unless otherwise approved by the Mayor.

IV. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Proclaim the month of May 2020 as "Mental Health Awareness Month."
- B. Proclaim the month of May 2020 as "Building Safety Month."
- C. Proclaim the week of June 1-5, 2020 as "Code Enforcement Officers' Appreciation Week."
- D. Present a Twenty-Year Longevity Service Award and Certificate to Police Sergeant Dawn Wendt.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes – April 7, 2020
- B. Warrant Register – March 2020
- C. Appoint Steve Weeks, Jr. as the Fire Department alternate to the Employee Grievance Committee, term being May 6, 2020 through January 31, 2022, or until a successor is appointed (replaces Joshua Sanders).
- D. Planning Board-Board of Adjustments-Design Review Board Re-appointments – City Clerk (Exhibit 1).
 - Re-appoint Karyne Brass as a regular member on the Planning Board, Board of Adjustment, and Design Review Board; term to begin retroactive to May 1, 2020 through April 30, 2023.
 - Re-appoint Felix Granados to the Planning Board, Board of Adjustment, and Design Review Board; moving from an alternate to regular member, term to be retroactive to May 1, 2020 through April 30, 2023
- E. Approval of request for disposal of obsolete and surplus equipment (Exhibit 2).

VI. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE ADOPTION

- A. Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1209 regarding Comprehensive Plan Small Scale Future Land Use Map Amendment Application No. 20-003-SSA, submitted by Mitchell Hancock, to reclassify Lots 11-20 of Block 62, City of Okeechobee, from Single Family Residential to Industrial – Planning Consultant [Planning Board recommends approval] (Exhibit 3).

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Motion to read by title only, approve first reading, and set final public hearing date to May 19, 2020 for proposed Ordinance No. 1210, allowing package sales of alcoholic beverages on Sunday – City Attorney (Exhibit 4).
- B. Discussion on meeting decorum – Mayor
- C. Update from Tiffany Collins, Florida Department of Health Okeechobee County, regarding COVID-19.
- D. Approve a change of scope and reduction in the amount \$37,318.98 for Centennial Park Restroom and Pavilion Improvements Bid #PW-01-00-12-19 – City Administrator (Exhibit 5).
- E. Adopt proposed Resolution No. 2020-04, Electronic Meeting Procedures – City Attorney (Exhibit 6).
- F. Review and discuss the Administrator performance evaluation research from other municipalities for the purpose of creating a new form to implement – City Clerk/Personnel Administrator (Exhibit 7).
- G. Approve renewal of Agreement for Information Technology Services Agreement with ICS Computers in the amount of \$24,960 annually – City Administrator (Exhibit 8).
- H. Acknowledgment of offer for a Right of Way Acquisition from the Florida Department of Transportation for 6,089 square feet to be purchased in fee for Parcel 125 regarding the State Road 710 Project, and/or submit a Letter of Intent to donate the property back to the Florida Department of Transportation – City Administrator (Exhibit 9).
- I. Approval of revised School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Agreement between Okeechobee County School Board and The City of Okeechobee to comply with Florida Statute 1006.13(4)a for additional language – Police Chief (Exhibit 10).
- J. Approve the implementation of a Letter of Commitment for the Hendry, Okeechobee, and Glades Opioid Consortium (HOGOC) Program – Mayor (Exhibit 11).
- K. Discussion regarding withdrawing remaining Specialized Legal Services Agreement with Lewis, Bribois, Bisgaard & Smith LLP – City Administrator (Exhibit 12).
- L. Approve an Engagement Letter for scope of work and fees from Nason, Yeager, Gerson, Harris & Fumero, P.A., in accordance with the City Attorney Legal Services Agreement, for City of Okeechobee Charter Review Initiative – City Administrator (Exhibit 13).
- M. Approve Amendment to City Attorney Legal Services Agreement – City Administrator (Exhibit 14).
- N. Approve use of Flagler Parks for recognition of OHS 2020 Graduates – City Administrator
- O. Discussion of policy and procedure of canceling regular City Council meetings – Councilman Keefe
- P. Discussion of update on Primitive Baptist Church – Councilman Keefe
- Q. Discussion of status update on all current projects, i.e. SW 5th Avenue, SE 8th Avenue, etc. – Councilman Keefe
- R. Discussion of street paving and striping plans from the Public Works Department – Councilman Keefe

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

IX. ADJOURN MEETING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE AND BE ADVISED that if any person desires to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at this proceeding, such interested person will need a record of the proceeding, and for such purpose may need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. City Clerk recordings are for the sole purpose of backup for official records of the Clerk. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), any person with a disability as defined by the ADA, that needs special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, contact the City Clerk's Office no later than two business days prior to proceeding, 863-763-3372.

BE ADVISED that should you intend to show any document, picture, video, or item to the Council in support or opposition to any item on the agenda; a copy of the document, picture, video, or item must be provided to the City Clerk for the City's records.