
The Live Oak City Council met in a regular Council meeting, Tuesday, March 8, at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall located at 101 SE White Ave., Live Oak, Florida 32064. The following officials were present: Mayor Garth R. Nobles, Council President Councilman Keith Mixon, Councilman Bennie L. Thomas, Councilman Jacob Grantham, Councilman John W. Yulee Sr., Councilman Frank Davis, Attorney Fred Koberlein, City Manager Jan Parkhurst, and City Clerk John Gill.

Council President Keith Mixon called the meeting to order. Mr. George Curtis then led the invocation, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Councilman Mixon presented for approval the February 9th regular council meeting minutes, the February 11th council workshop meeting minutes, the February 23rd special called council meeting minutes, and the February 25th emergency called council meeting minutes.

Councilman Davis requested that it be noted that in the February 11th council workshop meeting minutes that he addressed concerns for the potential negative impact of diagonal parking on the flow of traffic.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve the minutes with the necessary corrections, which Councilman Grantham seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Mixon then turned the floor to over Mayor Nobles to discuss matters regarding the city. Mayor Nobles presented to council for approval the new revised city seal. Councilman Yulee moved to approve the new city seal, which Councilman Grantham seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Mixon then turned the floor over to City Clerk John Gill to discuss Resolution 16-01, a resolution creating an Equity Study Commission. The equity study commission is appointed to modify and correct errors in the cities local business tax receipt fee schedule. Councilman Thomas moved to approve Resolution 16-01, which Councilman Yulee seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 16-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA,
CREATING AN EQUITY STUDY COMMISSION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
DATE.

Councilman Mixon then turned the floor over to City Manager Jan Parkhurst who introduced for discussion with possible Council action the matter of a fire assessment fee. The Council's consensus was to table this matter for the workshop being held on March 15th.

Ms. Parkhurst proceeded to her next item regarding possible Council action in awarding RFQ-01-2016, for professional engineering services/city engineer. Ms. Parkhurst recommendation was for counsel to make a contract with both Eutaw Inc. and Mittauer & Associates. The Council then discussed awarding the bid to engineers Eutaw, Inc. and Mittauer & Associates, Inc.

Councilman Grantham moved to hirer Mittauer and Eutaw as the city engineers; the motion failed for the lack of a second.

Mr. Lane Lucas (Eutaw Inc.) discussed his experience with other cities having multiple engineers under contract. In addition, Mr. Lucas discussed that, per Department of Transportation (DOT), the project designer and the contractor handling the construction should be two separate contractors.

Councilman Thomas then inquired about the Ichetucknee road project. Mr. Lucas stated that they were waiting on one final property owner to sign off on a right-of-way deed and that following this they could move forward with the project.

Mr. Greg Scott, Director of Parks and Recreation, reiterated the earlier statement made by Mr. Lucas regarding the necessity for two contractors on future DOT projects.

Councilman Grantham then moved to retain both Mittauer and Eutaw as the city engineers, which Councilman Yulee seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Mixon then turned the floor over to Development Manager George Curtis who presented for discussion the **final** reading of Ordinance 1386, an ordinance amending the Future Land Use Classification from Commercial (Suwannee County) to Commercial (City of Live Oak). Staff's recommendation was for approval.

ORDINANCE NO. 1386

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION TO ONE ACRE (MOL) OF LAND ON THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, CPA 15-3, BY THE PROPERTY OWNER(S) OR THEIR AUTHORIZED, DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE, UNDER THE AMENDMENT PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED IN SECTIONS 163.3161 THROUGH 163.3215, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED, AND ARTICLE THREE OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE ASSIGNED FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION **FROM COMMERCIAL (SUWANNEE COUNTY) TO COMMERCIAL (CITY OF LIVE OAK)**, ON CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

No one from the public spoke either for or against Ordinance 1386.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve Ordinance 1386, which Councilman Davis seconded. Councilman Grantham thereby recused himself from voting noting on his Form 8B that he was inured to special private gain or loss (no further details were provided). The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Curtis then presented the final reading of Ordinance 1387, an ordinance amending the zoning district on the official zoning Atlas of Commercial-Intensive (C-I) County to Commercial-Intensive (C-I) City. Staff's recommendation was for approval.

ORDINANCE NO. 1387

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT TO ONE ACRE (MOL) OF LAND ON THE OFFICIAL ZONING ATLAS OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, LDR 15-5, BY THE PROPERTY OWNER(S) OR THEIR AUTHORIZED, DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE, UNDER THE AMENDMENT PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED IN ARTICLE THREE OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE ASSIGNED ZONING DISTRICT FROM COMMERCIAL – INTENSIVE (C-I) (COUNTY) TO COMMERCIAL – INTENSIVE (C-I) (CITY), ON CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

No one from the public spoke either for or against Ordinance 1386.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve Ordinance 1387, which Councilman Thomas seconded. Councilman Grantham thereby recused himself from voting noting on his Form 8B that he was inured to special private gain or loss (no further details were provided). motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Curtis presented his last item requesting Council's direction to staff in advertising and preparing an ordinance vacating a certain alley between Block J, Oakhurst Addition and Block 66, Original Town of Live Oak. The Council consensus was to table this item for a council workshop.

Councilman Mixon proceeded to the City Council portion of the meeting and introduced the first item regarding possible council action on Resolution 16-02, a resolution of the City Council and support restoration of passenger rail service from New Orleans to Jacksonville and for station stop to be established in Live Oak Florida. Councilman Davis moved to approve Resolution 16-02, which Councilman Thomas seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 16-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT FOR RESTORATION OF PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE FROM NEW ORLEANS TO JACKSONVILLE AND FOR A STATION STOP TO BE ESTABLISHED IN LIVE OAK, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilman Mixon then introduced the second agenda item regarding possible council action for approval to transmit a letter of assistance to the Suwanee County Board of County Commissioners requesting assistance with dirt road improvements within the City of Live Oak similar to the work done on Anna and Eva.

Councilman Davis inquired, if within the letter, they could also explore any other potential partnerships regarding paved roads such as Helvenston. Councilman Mixon was in agreement for this to be included.

Councilman Thomas moved to approve the transmittal of the letter for assistance to the Suwanee County Board of County Commissioners, which Councilman Yulee seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Mixon then proceeded to the next agenda item regarding meeting dates. Councilman Mixon announced the following:

Tuesday, March 15

City Council Workshop at 3 PM,
CRA workshop at 4 PM,
Special Called CRA meeting at 5 PM

Wednesday, March 16,

Special Called City Council meeting at 3 PM

Thursday, March 24,

Special Called Council meeting at 5:30 PM

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Councilman Mixon then opened the floor for public comments. At which time Ms. Marion Gross (10309 108th Place Live Oak, FL) addressed the Council regarding her gas services and requirements for bringing a modular home/trailer back onto her property.

With no other agenda items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Councilman Mixon
City Council President

Attest:

Mr. John Gill
City Clerk