
The Live Oak City Council met in a regular City Council meeting, Tuesday, August 9, 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 David Burch, Councilman John W. Yulee Sr., Councilman Frank Davis, Attorney Fred Koberlein, City Manager Ron Williams, 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 then presented the minutes from the July 12th regular council meeting minutes and the July 26th special called council meeting minutes, July 26th budget workshop meeting minutes. Councilman Burch moved to approve the minutes as presented, which Councilman Yulee seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Mixon then turned the floor over to Mayor Nobles to present matters of the city. Mayor Nobles began with discussing several informational items. The first being that he as well as several others had met with Governor Rick Scott, during which the Zika virus as well as economic development were discussed.

Next, Mayor Nobles introduced Ms. Jenny Anderson the new Executive Director of the Suwanee River League of Cities and the Northwest Florida League of Cities. Ms. Anderson briefly spoke regarding the rejuvenation of the Suwanee River League of Cities.

Continuing, Mayor Nobles presented Resolution 16-11.

Resolution 16-11

A resolution of the Mayor and City Council petitioning United States Postal Service to build a new postal facility in the city of Live Oak, Suwannee County, Florida.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve Resolution 16-11, which Councilman Burch seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Mixon then turned to floor over to City Manager Ron Williams, who presented his first item regarding a presentation from Live Oak Suwanee County Parks and Recreation Department to the City of Live Oak for a check in the amount of \$50,000 from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for a Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) grant for renovations at Heritage Park and Gardens. Mr. Craig Liney, Suwannee River State Park-Park Manager, and Angela Watson, Suwannee River State Park-Park Naturalist, were present on behalf of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to present the check to the city.

Mr. Greg Scott, Parks and Recreation Director, then presented for discussion a request from the Suwanee Parks and Recreation Department for permission in pursuing grant funding through the FRDAP Unique Abilities program for up to \$500,000.00 in order to provide recreational enhancements and opportunities for individuals with unique abilities and to approve Resolution 16-09.

Resolution 16-09

A resolution including this project in the budget fiscal year 2017-2018.

Councilman Burch moved to approve the Suwanee Parks and Recreation department pursuing grant funding through FRDAP Unique Abilities program as well as Resolution 16-09. Councilman Yulee seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously

Mr. Williams then turned the floor over to Development Manager George Curtis who presented the **Final Reading** of Ordinance 1390, for council approval.

ORDINANCE NO. 1390

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA, AMENDING PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE III. – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK CODE OF ORDINANCES; PERTAINING TO SECTION 18-71, REGULATIONS AND SECTION 18-73, SALES, SERVICE, OR CONSUMPTION; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

The floor was then opened for public comments. Ms. Patricia Holmes addressed Council in regards to her business (Hammerheads-bar/tavern-a nonconforming establishment) and that should the ordinance be passed, her establishment should be allowed to partake in the Sunday sales of alcohol, regardless of its nonconforming status. Mr. Curtis identified that the practice of excluding non-conforming establishments was set by council when the alcohol ordinance was last addressed.

Councilman Thomas moved to approve Ordinance 1390, which Councilman Yulee seconded. The vote was then taken and the motion carried 4 to 1, with Councilman Davis dissenting.

Mr. Curtis then presented the **Final Reading** of Ordinance 1391.

Ordinance 1390

An ordinance voluntarily annexing certain real property into the city limits of Live Oak, Florida, and redefining the boundary lines of the municipality to include said property, providing for severability, conflict and providing for an effective date.

No one from the public spoke for or against this matter.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve Ordinance 1391, which Councilman Thomas seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Curtis then presented the **First Reading** of Ordinance 1392.

Ordinance 1392

An ordinance of the city of Live Oak Florida amending the future land use classification to 20 or fewer acres of land (small-scale) on the future land use plan map of the Live Oak comprehensive plan, pursuant to an application, CPA a 16-1, by the property owner(s) and/or their authorized, designated representative, under the amendment procedures established in sections 163.3161 through 163.3215, Florida Statutes, as amended, and article 3 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), or 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 for or against this matter.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve Ordinance 1392, which Councilman Burch seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Curtis proceeded with presenting the **First Reading** of Ordinance 1393.

Ordinance 1393

An ordinance of the city of Live Oak, Florida, amending the zoning district to 7.87 acres (mol) of land on the official zoning Atlas of the city of Live Oak land development regulations, pursuant to an application, LDR 16-2, by the property owner(s) and/or their authorized, designated representative, under the amendment procedures established in article 3 of the land development regulations; providing for a change in the assigned zoning district from commercial-intensive (C-I) (Suwannee County) to commercial-shopping center (CSC) (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 for or against this matter.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve Ordinance 1393, which Councilman Burch seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Curtis then presented the **First Reading** of Ordinance 1394.

Ordinance 1394

An ordinance of the city of Live Oak, Florida, amending the zoning district to 3.72 acres (mol) of land on the official zoning Atlas of the city of Live Oak land development regulations, pursuant to an application, LDR 16-3, by the property owner(s) and/or their authorized, designated representative, under the amendment procedures established in article 3 of the land development regulations; providing for a change in the assigned zoning district from commercial-intensive (CI) to commercial-shopping center (CSC), 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 for or against on this matter.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve Ordinance 1394, which Councilman Davis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Curtis then introduced the **First Reading** of Ordinance 1395.

Ordinance 1395

An ordinance of the city of Live Oak, Florida, amending the future land use classification to 20 or fewer acres of land (small-scale) on the future land use plan map of the city of Live Oak comprehensive plan pursuant to application, CPA 16-2, by the property owner(s) and/or their authorized, designated representative, under the amendment procedures established in sections 163.3161 through 163.3215, Florida Statutes, as amended, and article 3 of the land development regulations; providing for a change in the assigned future land use classification from industrial to residential moderate density, 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 for or against this matter.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve Ordinance 1395, which Councilman Davis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Curtis presented the **First Reading** of Ordinance 1396.

Ordinance 1396

An ordinance of the city of Live Oak, Florida, amending the zoning district 20.59 acres (mol) of land on the official zoning Atlas of the city of Live Oak land development regulations, pursuant to an application, LDR 16-4, by the property owner(s) and/or their authorized, designated representative, under the amendment procedures established in article 3 of the land development regulations; providing for a change in the assigned zoning district from industrial, light in warehousing (ILW) to residential single family/manufactured home-two (RSF/MH-2) 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 for or against this matter.

Councilman Yulee moved to approve Ordinance 1396, which Councilman Davis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then presided over the following agenda items, thereby presenting Resolution 16-07.

Resolution 16-07

A resolution of the City Council of the city of Live Oak, Florida adopting a policy relating to the employment of small, women owned a minority businesses for use in administering community development block grant; adopting a policy relating to the employment of minorities by the city of Live Oak.

Councilman Burch moved to approve Resolution 16-07, which Councilman Davis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then presented Resolution 16-08.

Resolution 16-08

A resolution of the city of Live Oak, Florida, adopting a policy for the protection of individuals engaging in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations.

Councilman Burch moved to approve Resolution 16-08, which Councilman Davis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then presented for discussion the proposed City of Live Oak Community Development Block Grant Program Purchasing Policy including the Minority Business Enterprise Policy. Councilman Birch moved to approve the City of Live Oak Community Development Block Grant Program Purchasing Policy, which included the Minority Business Enterprise Policy. Councilman Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then proceeded to the next item regarding resolution 16-10.

Resolution 16-10

A resolution authorizing the approval and execution of the FDOT traffic signals maintenance and compensation agreement amendment for 2016-2017.

Councilman Mixon then addressed issues with the downtown traffic signal and requested that the City Manager, Ron Williams, send a letter to the District Director, of District 2, of the Florida Department of Transportation addressing this issue.

Councilman Davis moved to approve resolution 16-10, which Councilman Yulee seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then updated the Council that US 129, was scheduled to undergo a paving project, beginning August 20, extending South of Live Oak to the railroad tracks.

Mr. Williams then turned the floor over to Interim Finance Director JoAnn Luther, who introduced Mr. Thomas Geoffroy, General Manager-Florida Gas Utility. Mr. Geoffroy presented the results of the Natural Gas Rate Study conducted by the Florida Gas Utility agency (see meeting handouts).

Councilman Mixon then introduced Dr. Alvin Jackson who presented an update on the Klausner Lumber Mill, International Mulch Company, Beef O Brady's, along with several prospective restaurants, a prospective hotel, and dairy/butter industry. (See meeting handout) Dr. Jackson then updated the Council on a reception being held to promote the Amtrak station Wednesday, August 10.

Mr. W.W. Williams (1109 Davis St.) then addressed Dr. Jackson regarding the need for housing and demographics of the area. Mr. W.W. Williams was asked to meet with Mr. Ron Williams following the meeting.

Councilman Mixon then turned the floor over to Councilman Yulee who then presented his item regarding the response time of EMS within the city. Councilman Yulee then requested that the city manager contact the county regarding EMS services.

Councilman Mixon then opened the floor for public comments. Mr. W.W. Williams then requested information regarding the merger of the Fire Department with the County. It was identified that this was not on the agenda to be discussed.

With no further public comments, the meeting was adjourned.

Councilman Mixon
City Council President

Attest:
Mr. John Gill
City Clerk