

City of Live Oak
City Council Meeting
May 14, 2019

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The Live Oak City Council met Tuesday, May 14, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall located at 101 SE White Ave., Live Oak, Florida 32064. The following officials were present: Mayor Frank Davis, Council President Councilmember Bennie Thomas, Councilmember Robintina Reed, Councilmember David Burch, Councilmember Mark Stewart, Councilmember Don Allen, Attorney Fred Koberlein Jr., City Manager Ron Williams, and City Clerk John Gill.

Council President Bennie Thomas called the meeting to order.

Mayor Frank Davis then led the invocation, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Councilmember Thomas then presented the agenda for additions, deletions, or changes. Councilmember Burch moved to approve the agenda, which Councilmember Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The floor was then opened to public comment. The following individuals then addressed council:

Christine Williams: Concerning the parking of RV in her driveway.

Marion Gross: Ordinance 1422 concerning closing time of Ms. B's Cozy Corner.

Dick Calvitt: The Evaluation of the City Manager.

Anita Williams: Abatement of properties in the City, and Street Department issues.

Council President Thomas then turned the floor over to Mayor Frank Davis. Mayor Davis presented a Proclamation declaring May 15, 2019 as Peace Officer Memorial Day.

Mayor Davis turned the floor over to Mr. Steven Shipman with Tobacco Free Suwannee who made a presentation regarding the sale of electronic nicotine devices.

Council President Thomas then turned the floor over to Councilmember Reed who began with asking for a "Children at Play" sign placed on Scott Street. Councilmember Reed also, had concerns with dead animals being thrown on the side of the road and left there, along with speeding on McGee St. and concerns with children possibly getting hit by speeding cars. President Thomas asked City Manager Ron Williams to address these problems, at which time Mr. Williams did address some of the problems letting Councilmember Reed know that he has been in touch with City Staff and has addressed these problems with them and is working on getting the issues resolved.

Council President Thomas then turned the floor over to Councilmember Burch, who at this time went over the evaluation outcome of the City Manager. Councilmember Burch stated that between all 5 councilmembers Mr. Williams scored a 45.2 which made him eligible for the 1.5% raise that all city employees are eligible to receive. Councilmember Burch moved to approve the 1.5% raise for the City Manager, which Councilmember Reed seconded. The motion carried 4 to 1 with Councilmember Stewart dissenting.

Councilmember Burch at this time proceeded to explain that the second part of his recommendation is to give the City Manager at 4% raise on top of his 1.5% raise he was just approved for which in total will give him a 5.5% raise. Councilmember Burch moved to approve the 4% raise, at which time the motion failed due to lack of being seconded. At this time Councilmember Burch moved to approve at 3.5% raise on top of the 1.5% raise he has already been approved for which will give him a 5% raise, which Council President Thomas seconded. Pursuant to council discussion regarding contract negotiations concerning the City Managers salary, Councilmember Burch withdrew the motion with Council President Thomas withdrawing his second.

Councilman Thomas then turned the floor over to City Manager, Ron Williams. Mr. Williams began by presenting Ryan Tucker with Purvis, Gray & Company, LLC. Mr. Tucker addressed the council presenting the City of Live Oak Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Audited Financial Statements.

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(It was the auditors opinion that the audited financial statements fairly presented, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City as of September 30, 2018, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows, thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.)

Continuing, Mr. Tucker stated that in 2013 the City had \$94,000 in its General Fund and that after several difficult years the City now has \$1.5 million dollars in the General Fund. This is where we as auditors like to see the General Fund in case unexpected emergencies occur within the City, stated Mr. Tucker. Mr. Tucker said the audit ran smoothly and was an unmodified opinion, which is highest level of assurance a CPA firm can provide.

Mr. Williams at this time presented Resolution No. 19-05, a resolution authorizing the City to enter into a gas purchase contract with Florida Gas Utility and the Black Belt Energy Gas District.

RESOLUTION NO.:2019-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A GAS PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH FLORIDA GAS UTILITY, A PUBLIC BODY CORPORATE AND POLITIC, AND THE BLACK BELT ENERGY GAS DISTRICT, A PUBLIC COPRPROATION ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF ALABAMA, PURSUANT TO THE "ALL REQUIREMENTS GAS SERVICES AGREEMENT" BETWEEN THE CITY AND FLORIDA GAS UTILITY.

Councilmember Burch then moved to approve the Resolution No. 2019-05, which Councilmember Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then turned the floor over to City Planning Assistant Gina Salvati. Ms. Salvati presented the Final Reading of Ordinance 1429; Mr. Gill then read the title of the Ordinance into record.

ORDINANCE NO.: 1429

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION TO TWENTY OR FEWER ACRES OF LAND (SMALL SCALE) ON THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, CPA 19-1, 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 THREE OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE ASSIGNED FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION FROM; COMMERCIAL (COUNTY) TO; COMMERCIAL (CITY), ON CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA.

Councilmember Stewart then moved to approve Ordinance No.1429, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The floor was then opened for public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Salvati then presented the Final Reading of Ordinance No. 1430; Mr. Gill then read the title of the Ordinance into record.

ORDINANCE NO. 1430

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT TO 10.01 ACRES (MOL) OF LAND ON THE OFFICIAL ZONING ATLAS OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, **LDR 19-1**, BY THE PROPERTY OWNER(S) AND/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-1) (COUNTY) TO COMMERCIAL-INTENSIVE (CITY)**, OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA.

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Councilmember Stewart then moved to approve Ordinance No. 1430, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The floor was then opened for public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Salvati then presented the Final Reading of Ordinance No. 1431. Mr. Gill read the title of Ordinance into record.

ORDINANCE NO. 1431

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION TO TWENTY OR FEWER ACRES OF LAND (SMALL SCALE) ON THE FUTURE USE PLAN MAP OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, **CPA 19-2**, 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 THREE OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE ASSIGNED FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION **FROM RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM DENSITY TO STORMWATER**, ON CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA

Councilmember Burch then moved to approve Ordinance No. 1431, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The floor was then opened for public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Salvati then presented the Final Reading of Ordinance No. 1432. Mr. Gill read the title of Ordinance into record.

ORDINANCE NO. 1432

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION TO TWENTY OR FEWER ACRES OF LAND (SMALL SCALE) ON THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, PURSUANT TO AN APPLICATION, **CPA 19-3**, 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 THREE OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE IN THE ASSIGNED FUTURE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION **FROM EDUCATIONAL TO COMMERCIAL**, ON CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA.

Councilmember Stewart then moved to approve Ordinance No. 1432, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The floor was then opened for public comment. The motion carried unanimously.

At this time Councilmember Allen asked about the speed limit signs on Helvenston St. and he was informed that they would be installed sometime next week. Councilmember Allen then inquired about the water leak on Anna and Bryson; Mr. Williams stated that he sent out a note. Councilmember Allen also stated that he had concerns with the Golf Cart Law, at which time Mr. Williams asked Captain Davis to address this matter and Captain Davis stated that the City Council needs to re-address the Golf Cart Ordinance due to the inconsistency in it.

Council President Thomas asked if the Public had any more comments at which time Ms. Gross asked for clarity on when she is supposed to meet with Mr. Williams and it was determined that she should meet with him on Wednesday the 15th of May. Mr. Wiggins at this time came forward and addressed the dog situation on the east side of town getting out of control and tearing up garbage. Mr. Williams asked Mr. Wiggins to get with the Public Works Director Andy Townsend after the meeting.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Councilmember Bennie Thomas
City Council President

Attest:
Mr. John Gill
City Clerk

