LAKELAND CITY COMMISSION

Regular Session
April 5, 2021

The Lakeland City Commission met in Regular Session in the City Commission Chambers. Mayor Bill Mutz and Commissioners Chad McLeod Bill Read, Stephanie Madden, Don Selvage, Sara McCarley and Phillip Walker were present. City Manager Shawn Sherrouse, City Attorney Palmer Davis, Finance Director Mike Brossart, and City Clerk Kelly Koos were present.

CALL TO ORDER - 3:00 P.M.

PRESENTATIONS

Lakeland PAL - Building Positive Relationships in the Community (Chief Garcia and Captain Pacheco)

Beautification Awards (Bill Koen)

- Residential: 4225 Staffordshire Drive - Carlos Rojas Rodriguez
- Commercial: 1715 South Florida Avenue - Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate

The Mayor requested to take the Requests to Appear from the General Public out of order. No one on the Commission objected.

REQUESTS TO APPEAR FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Mrs. Gretchen Ceranic, Vice Chair of the LPD Citizen's Advisory Board re Ongoing LPD Contract Negotiations

Ms. Ceranic, Mr. Ring, and Brain Wallace of LPD offered comments on contract negotiation.

Mayor Bill Mutz offered closing comments on behalf of the Commission. There is a process in place. There was a lost time when the police switched to a different union. He encouraged the police to respond to the offers that are awaiting their response.

Commissioner Phillip Walker thought it was important for the public to hear that the City was waiting to hear back from the union on specific offers.

PROCLAMATIONS

Lakeland Sister Cities International
Lakeland Christian Class 3A Soccer State Champions Day
Parental Alienation Awareness Month

Child Abuse Prevention Month
Water Conservation Month
Community Development Week
Fair Housing Month

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RELATED ITEMS

Finance Committee 03/29/21

Commissioner Chad McLeod (chair) presented this report.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the report. Commissioner Stephanie Madden seconded.

Commissioner Sara McCarley asked about the internal auditors not being involved in the audit. Shawn Sherrouse explained in the past the Internal Auditors Office was heavily involved with the external audit. They have weaned away from that. They now focused on internal work.

Commissioner Chad McLeod reminded the Commission this audit report is great news for the City. It is the best rating you can receive.

Lorenzo Robinson asked about the audit report. How does that affect the money we will not receive from the hospital?

Mayor Bill Mutz explained the audit is always an exam of the previous year. There will be a separate board that will manage the investment of the money from the hospital. They were mutually exclusive. The money from the hospital will be invested going forward. Historically there have been times when they did not earn 6%. The hope is that over time on average they will earn 7.25% just like for pension funds.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed with an asterisk (*) were considered routine by the City Commission and were enacted by one motion following an opportunity for public comment. There was no separate discussion of these items unless a City Commissioner or Citizen so requested, in which event the item was removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence.

Motion: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Sara McCarley seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (with any amendments)

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Action: The Commission approved this item as part of the Consent Agenda.

EQUALIZATION HEARINGS

Recess/convene: The Commission Recessed the Regular Session and convened as the Equalization Board.

Palmer Davis explained the City Commission just recessed in their legislative capacity as the City Commission and convened- as the Equalization Board. The City on occasion had to clean and clear lots or demolish buildings on private property. The City imposed a lien for that work. The Equalization Board decided if the liens imposed were appropriate and fair. Anyone present concerning these liens would be given an opportunity to speak in just a moment. He then presented the assessments to the Equalization Board.

Lots Cleaning and Clearing

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the assessments. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn/Reconvene: The Equalization Board adjourned, and the City Commission reconvened in Regular Session.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ordinances (Second Reading)

Ordinance 5867; Proposed 21-013; Vacating a Portion of Right-of-Way Located at 822 Adams Street (1st Rdg. 03-15-21)

> AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY; MAKING FINDINGS; VACATING A PORTION OF PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED AT 822 ADAMS STREET, WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING THE RECORDING OF A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS

ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the ordinance. Commissioner Sara McCarley seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments from the audience.

Commissioner Bill Read asked how the property will be divided. Palmer Davis explained that half the Right-of-Way goes to the property owners on each side. There was no objection from the non-requesting property owner.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Phillip Walker, Don Selvage, Sara McCarley, Stephanie Madden, Chad McLeod, Bill Read, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Ayes-seven. Nays-zero. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 5868; Proposed 21-014; Amending Ordinance 5341; Amending the City of Lakeland Firefighters' Defined Benefit Plan to Increase the Required Minimum Distribution Age and to Allow for the Selection of an Actuarially Equivalent Lifetime Benefit to the Survivor (1st Rdg. 03-15-21)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE CITY OF LAKELAND FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING ORDINANCE 5341, AS AMENDED, TO AMEND SECTION 7, BENEFIT AMOUNTS AND ELIGIBILITY; SECTION 8, PRE-RETIREMENT DEATH; SECTION 11, OPTIONAL FORMS OF BENEFIT; SECTION 17, MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION OF BENEFITS; AND SECTION 18, MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CITY CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the ordinance. Commissioner Phillip Walker seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Chad McLeod, Bill Read, Stephanie Madden, Sara McCarley, Don Selvage, Phillip Walker, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Ayes – seven. Nays – zero. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 5869; Proposed 21-015; Adopting the Florida Fire Prevention Code, 7th Edition, with Certain Local Amendments (1st Rdg. 03-15-21)

> AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA RELATED TO FIRE PREVENTION; ADOPTING THE FLORIDA FIRE PREVENTION CODE, 7TH EDITION; ADOPTING LOCAL AMENDMENTS TO SAID CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF FEES BY RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the ordinance. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Motion to Amend: Commissioner Stephanie Madden moved to amend to remove Section 13.3.2.31 paragraph 1a-c to be consistent with state law. Commissioner Chad McLeod seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments on the motion to amend.

Commissioner Stephanie Madden: There is difficulty when the City's codes are different from the State code. It results in time delays and expensive modifications to buildings whether it's a lease or a purchase. She wanted a way to simplify without making anything unsafe. She was trying to meet in the middle between citizens' concerns and the fire department's safety efforts.

Commissioner Phillip Walker agreed that we do not want an impediment to development. Would the change have any other consequences?

Chief Doug Riley: This was concerning businesses that would receive a business occupancy classification. That is the only class that would be amended.

Commissioner Stephanie Madden thanked Chief Riley. She wanted to make sure staff understood the Commission wanted a customer centric approach. She wanted to remind them that delays cost money.

Commissioner Don Selvage asked Chief Riley if the City needed this code. Chief Riley as the chief, would always advocate for sprinklers. He could not say why the State did not require sprinklers for this class.

Commissioner Don Selvage was uncomfortable screwing around with fire codes.

Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote on the amendment.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Phillip Walker, Sara McCarley, Stephanie Madden, Chad McLeod, Bill Read, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Commissioner Don Selvage voted nay. Ayes-six. Nays-one. The motion carried.

Mayor Bill Mutz called for a motion to approve the ordinance as amended.

Motion: Commissioner Sara McCarley moved to approve the ordinance as amended. Commissioner Phillip Walker seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Chad McLeod, Bill Read, Stephanie Madden, Sara McCarley, Don Selvage, Phillip Walker, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Ayes – seven. Nays – zero. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinances (First Reading)

Proposed 21-016; Text Amendment CPA20-003 Adopting the Lakeland Comprehensive Plan: Our Community 2030

> AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE LAKELAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: OUR COMMUNITY 2030 AS TEXT AND MAP AMENDMENTS (CPA 20-003); REPEALING ORDINANCE 5188, AS AMENDED, AND ALL OTHER AMENDMENTS SUBSEQUENT THERETO AS SET FORTH HEREIN; MAKING FINDINGS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title and asked for a motion to transmit to the State Department of Economic Opportunity.

Teresa Maio explained the Commission held the workshop. This was the transmittal hearing to send the plan to the State for multi-jurisdictional review. They there will be a final adoption hearing. The Comp Plan was posted online for public review and comment.

Pat Steed with CFRPC gave the overview of the Comprehensive Plan Update.

Commissioner Sara McCarley left the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to transmit the amendment to the Department of Economic Opportunity. Commissioner Chad McLeod seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments from the audience.

The Commission discussed:

- Pat Steed did a great job condensing the document down to a presentation.
- This document helped the City plan.
- Housing projections were challenging. That was an issue statewide. The City had the policies in place to ensure housing. The struggle was the P3 partnerships.
- Innovation: integrating clean air and EV transportation. The City had policies that supported the concept, but they could take it further. The next major amendment would be a look at sustainable practices.
- Leverage Lakeland's planning document to encourage surrounding entities to adopt the same measures and modeling after favorite cities. This was tied to the Future Land Use Map and the Intergovernmental Coordination Element. Lakeland had a good relationship with Polk County.
- The City obtains an annexation agreement from developers needing to connect to the City's services from outside the city limits.
- The percentages of land use are documented in the technical document of the Comp Plan. It outlines land use categories, the existing percentages, and the needed future percentages. Future percentages are determined data.
- The City can look to other cities best practices to formulate appropriate policies.
- The infrastructure element dealt with the minimum level of service.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent.

Miscellaneous

Appeal of Planning & Zoning Board's Denial of 1 Source - Legacy Cell Tower Application - 1800 Harden Boulevard

Palmer Davis presented this item. He understood there was favorable discussion of continuance to April 19, 2021.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to continue the hearing. Commissioner Bill Read seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments from the audience.

The applicant requested the continuance.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent.

CITY MANAGER

Recommendation re: Award of Bid No.1033 to Cobb Site Development Inc.; Approval of Construction Agreement with Cobb Site Development, and Task Authorization with CivilSurv Design Group, Inc. for Construction Engineering and Inspection Services for the County Line Road at US 92 Intersection Project

The County Line Road at US 92 intersection project includes the construction of an additional northbound left-turn lane, a northbound right-turn lane, access management by way of a concrete median separator, new traffic signals, and new railroad crossing signals, gates, and equipment. Sidewalk will be constructed along the east side of County Line Road. Construction plans were prepared by DRMP, Inc., and reviewed and approved for construction by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). The City's Purchasing Division advertised for construction bids beginning December 31, 2020, and on February 10, 2021 the following proposals were received:

1. Cobb Site Development Inc.	$1,570,583.24 (Wauchula, FL)
2. Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc.	$1,698,240.83 (Tampa, FL)
3. DB Civil Construction, LLC	$1,787,172.00 (St. Augustine, FL)
4. Ajax Paving Industries of FL, LLC	$2,051,354.18 (North Venice, FL)

DRMP and City staff evaluated the bids and determined Cobb Site Development Inc. to be the lowest responsive bidder, and the FDOT concurred. Subsequently, a Notice of Intent to Award was issued by City Purchasing on March 8, 2021, to Cobb Site Development Inc. The protest period ended without protest.

Additionally, the City solicited a proposal from CivilSurv Design Group, Inc., one of the City's Municipal Engineering Continuing Contracts for Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) services required for the County Line Road at US 92 intersection project. Under the attached Task Authorization, CivilSurv will provide CEI services at the negotiated fee of $165,268.

The project is funded in FY21 Transportation Fund by the following revenue sources:

1. FDOT Joint Project Agreement	$1,247,616.00
2. Development Agreements	$ 712,049.70 3.
3. Transportation Impact Fees	$ 645,000.00

Staff recommended that the City Commission authorize the award of Bid No. 1033 to Cobb Site Development Inc. for the County Line Road at US 92 intersection project and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute the Construction Agreement in the amount of $1,570,583.24.

Staff also recommended that the City Commission authorize the appropriate City officials to execute the Task Authorization for Construction and Engineering Inspection services with CivilSurv Design Group, Inc. for the County Line Road at US 92 intersection project in the amount of $165,268

Shawn Sherrouse presented this item.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent.

Recommendation re: Change Order No. 3 to the Construction Agreement with Cobb Site Development Inc. for the North Wabash Avenue Extension Project

The North Wabash Avenue Extension is an 0.85-mile project that will connect North Wabash Avenue with Fairbanks Street. The southern limits of the project are Crutchfield Road. The project will provide a two-lane roadway, 6' wide sidewalks on both sides of the street, street lighting, a new railroad crossing, stormwater drainage system, and an improved intersection at 10th Street with the addition of a traffic signal.

The City Commission awarded the Construction Agreement to Cobb Site Development Inc. (Cobb) in October 2020 and construction commenced on November 30, 2020. Construction is approximately 30% complete.

The City's Water Utilities Department has approximately 2,800 linear feet of new water pipeline and about 120 linear feet of new force main pipe to install as a result of their existing facilities conflicting with the new roadway. Water Utilities has determined that they do not have the staff or resources to complete the work within the time needed to clear the project for the road construction contractor to maintain their schedule. To meet the schedule, the City requested and received a proposal from Cobb in the amount of $310,602.58 to complete the work. Cobb is also requesting an additional 16 days of contract time. The City's Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) firm, RK&K, Inc., and City staff have reviewed the proposal and find it satisfactory. Subsequently, Change Order No. 3 to the Construction Agreement with Cobb Site Development Inc. was drafted incorporating the required work. Funding for the project is provided in the FY21 Water Utilities' Capital Improvement Fund.

Staff recommended that the City Commission authorize the appropriate City officials to execute Change Order No. 3 to the Construction Agreement with Cobb Site Development, Inc. for the North Wabash Avenue Extension project in the amount of $310,602.58.

Shawn Sherrouse presented this item.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments from the audience.

The Commission discussed some capacity issues growing in the northwest. Staff will bring a consultant on board to deal with that work as a separate matter.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent.

Recommendation re: Task Authorization with Geosyntec Consultants for Lake Mirror Stormwater BMP Feasibility Study

Lake Mirror is a focal point of the City of Lakeland's downtown area, and a surface water body that attracts residents and visitors alike. Lake Mirror, however, is an impaired water body due to excessive levels of nutrients in the surface water. Nutrients entering the lake through the City's stormwater system and area runoff contribute to the overall water quality impairment. The contributing area does not currently have established stormwater treatment Best Management Practices (BMPs).

The Lakes and Stormwater Division requested a proposal from Geosyntec Consultants, a Professional Lakes and Watershed Management Services firm, currently under continuing contract with the City, to conduct a Stormwater BMP Feasibility Study of Lake Mirror. The study will look at the contributing area to the lake and provide effective and proactive recommendations that can be implemented to aid in the improvement of lake water quality in Lake Mirror. The focus will be on quantifying stormwater nutrient loading at outfalls to the lake; assessing the feasibility of implementing BMPs to capture and treat stormwater runoff prior to discharging into the lake, and providing detailed conceptualization for the appropriate type and location of the selected BMPs for a minimum of one priority outfall to the lake. The BMPs will be designed to remove nutrients, sediments and floatable trash from stormwater runoff discharging to Lake Mirror.

The Task Authorization includes the following major elements of the project:

- Survey of the project area in coordination with City survey staff, and review of City GIS for stormwater infrastructure, topographic, and hydrological data.
- Stormwater contributing area delineations.
- Stormwater quality sampling and laboratory analysis.
- Hydraulic, hydrologic and water quality modeling to determine pollutant loading and removal capacities.
- Evaluation and ranking of recommended BMPs.
- Permitting evaluation services.
- Meetings and reports.

Funding for the Lake Mirror Stormwater BMP Feasibility Study, in an amount not-to-exceed 158,828.93 is provided in the FY21 Stormwater Utility CIP.

Staff recommended that the City Commission authorize the appropriate City officials to execute the Task Authorization with Geosyntec Consultants for the Lake Mirror Stormwater BMP Feasibility Study in an amount not-to-exceed $158,828.93.

Shawn Sherrouse presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the task authorization. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments from the audience.

The Commission discussed the need for feasibility studies. When assessing a lake, it is important to understand the pollution sources. The feasibility study helps the City make good choices.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent.

Recommendation re: Award of Bid No.1036 to Southern Roofing Company, Inc. for a roofing project at Lakeland Linder International Airport

The roof at 3505 and 3515 Aviation Drive is in dire need of a roof replacement to be completed prior to the rainy season. The facility is leased to two of our core tenants, Publix and Polk State College and constitutes approximately 85,000 square feet. The roof replacement was advertised under Bid No. 1036 with nine companies responding to the bid. REI Engineers (Palm Harbor, FL) along with LLIA staff, reviewed all nine bid responses. The bid recommendation is issued based on the base bid (roof replacement) plus bid alternatives #1 (new walkway pads around HVAC units) and bid alternative #2 (painting of the exterior building). Southern Roofing Company, Inc. (Tampa, FL) was determined to be the lowest and most responsive bidder with a combined bid of $781,839 consisting of the Base Bid of $726,372, with Alternative #1 of $14,204 and Alternative #2 of $41,263.

Company	Location	Combined Bid Amount
Southern Roofing Company Inc.	Tampa, FL	$781,839
Springer-Peterson Roofing & Sheet Metal, Inc.	Lakeland, FL	$829,146
Advanced Roofing, Inc.	Tampa, FL	$842,891
Ryman Roofing, Inc.	Zephyrhills, FL	$857,352
Service Works	Tampa, FL	$894,860
Atlantic Roofing, Inc.	Lake Placid, FL	$979,644
Allied Roofing, Inc	Tampa, FL	$1,090,370
Atlas Apex Roofing, LLC.	Orlando, FL	$1,089,560
McEnany Roofing, Inc.	Lake Alfred, FL	$1,426,370

REI Engineers Inc, who is under a continuing contract with the city, will provide the construction administration services for the project in an amount not to exceed $46,100.

Staff recommended that the City Commission authorize City Officials to enter a contract with Southern Roofing Company Inc. in the amount of $781,839 to provide the services outlined in Bid No. 1036.

Staff recommended that the City Commission authorize an increase in estimated revenues in the Airport Capital Fund in the amount of $275,000 along with a corresponding appropriation in the amount of $827,939 in Airport Capital Fund from the following;

1. Issuance of an internal loan in the amount of $342,076 currently budgeted in FY 21 for another capital project, and
2. $275,000 from the Airport's Operating Fund Surplus generated from a de-appropriation in its operational expenses of $275,000
3. $210,863 from the Airport's Capital Fund generated from a de-appropriation of $210,863 from the Office Renovation Project in the Airport Capital Fund.

Shawn Sherrouse presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Bill Read moved to approve the recommendations. Commissioner Chad McLeod seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments.

The Commission discussed the roof size, and the number of local bidders. Everyone is busy right now.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent.

Recommendation re: Mid-Year Table of Organization Modifications and Appropriations

Throughout the Fiscal Year requests arise from Departments to make modifications to their Tables of Organization. These modifications may involve adding, deleting, pay adjustments or reclassifying positions to meet Departmental operational needs or improve service delivery. This process involves a formal request, that must include sufficient justification based on business needs, to a Review Committee consisting of members from the City Manager's Office, OMB, Human Resources, and Finance. Compensation requests are thoroughly vetted through the Human Resources Department to verify that each request is aligned with our classification and compensation structure and workforce management practices. Once reviewed, the Committee provides recommendations to the City Manager for consideration and approval.

The following modifications have been proposed to the City's Table of Organization and are listed by Fund along with their individual FY21 budget impact.

General Fund:
Police Department
• Add 1 College Resource Officer to the Police Department's Table of Organization. Florida Southern College has requested to add another police officer assigned to the school will fund 100% of the cost including equipment. The cost for this position for payroll, vehicle, and equipment is $ 138,011 with annual recurring costs of $82,000.

Building Inspection Fund:
Community & Economic Development – Planning Services, Building Inspection
• Add 2 FT and 1 Overfill FT Building Inspect/Plans Examiner positions to Building Inspection's Table of Organization. Though contract inspection labor has been leveraged to handle unexpected increased permit, plans review and inspection volume, the current state of the construction market has seen a severe shortage of contracted inspection and plans review labor. This has resulted in the Building Inspection division struggling mightily to meet the demands of its customers, and by extension, the community. The cost for the remainder of FY 21 to the Building Inspection Fund would be $220,968.

Water Utilities:
Distribution
• Add 2 Additional Water Pipefitter II Water Utilities Table of Organization. Adding 2 additional FT Pipefitter II positions and eliminating 2 contract Pipefitter II positions. The additional cost for this TO change is minimal. The need exists to expand the Water Distribution workforce as we continue to add new assets to the system that require maintenance. Also, the older infrastructure continues to fail and needs repair or replacement. WU has identified and additional $16 million repair/replacement schedule of assets in the next 8 years. The cost for the remainder of FY 21 to the Water Utilities Fund would be $16,604.

Electric Utilities Fund:
Fiscal Operations
• Delete vacant Utility Data Analyst II Position from Electric Utilities Table of Organization. Part of restructuring to consolidate the forecasting, budgeting, and rate making activities. The net savings to the Electric Utilities Fund for the remainder of FY 21 is $67,882.

There are other reductions and eliminated positions that net against the above noted increases to create the requested appropriations by fund.

Staff recommended that the City Commission authorize the identified Table of Organization modifications and associated pay adjustments for the positions outlined above. In addition, it is recommended that the City Commission authorize the corresponding increase in estimated revenues and appropriations from the Unappropriated Surplus of the Funds noted below:

- General Fund
  - Appropriations - $ 190,167
  - Increase in Estimated Revenues - $138,011
- Transportation Fund
  - Appropriations - $9,502
- Building Inspection Fund
  - Appropriations - $196,406
- Stormwater Utility Fund
  - Appropriations - $3,179
- Water Utilities Fund
  - Appropriations - $8,685
- Wastewater Utilities Fund
  - Appropriations - $14,471

Motion: Commissioner Bill Read moved to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Chad McLeod seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments from the audience.

The Commission discussed:
The City Manager did deny some requests. He may consider some during the new budget year.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent.

CITY ATTORNEY

Ordinances (First Reading)

Proposed 21-017; Amending the City of Lakeland Investment Policy for Long Term Funds

> AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA RELATING TO INVESTMENT POLICIES; MAKING FINDINGS; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 4875; ADOPTING AN AMENDED CITY OF LAKELAND INVESTMENT POLICY; AUTHORIZING CHANGES IN INVESTMENTS IN CERTAIN CATEGORIES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The foregoing is the title of an ordinance read for the first time by short title only. The Commission will hold the second reading and public hearing on April 19, 2021.

Resolutions

Resolution 5665; Proposed 21-020; Lots Cleaning and Clearing

> A RESOLUTION RELATING TO ASSESSMENTS; DETERMINING THE NECESSITY FOR HAVING CLEANED AND CLEARED CERTAIN PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKELAND; PROVIDING FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF LIENS AGAINST SUCH PROPERTY FOR EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE CLEANING AND CLEARING THEREOF; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Palmer Davis read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Bill Read seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Phillip Walker, Don Selvage, Stephanie Madden, Bill Read, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Commissioners Chad McLeod and Sara McCarley were absent at that time. Ayes-five. Nays-zero. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

Resolution 5666; Proposed 21-021; Recognizing and Establishing June 19th of Each Year as Juneteenth Day in the City of Lakeland.

> A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE EMANCIPATION OF SLAVES; ADOPTING FINDINGS; RECOGNIZING AND ESTABLISHING JUNE 19th OF EACH YEAR AS JUNETEENTH DAY IN THE CITY OF LAKELAND; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Stephanie Madden seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments from the Commission.

Sonja Stevens gave an update of Juneteenth. She felt they should observe Emancipation Day on 9/22 or 1/1 not June 19th.

Doris Moore Bailey came forward in support of Juneteenth.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Chad McLeod, Bill Read, Stephanie Madden, Don Selvage, Phillip Walker, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent. Ayes – six. Nays – zero. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

Resolution 5667; Proposed 21-022; Vacating the Public Utility Easement Located at 7221 US Highway 98 North

> A RESOLUTION RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENTS; MAKING FINDINGS; VACATING AN EXISTING PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED AT 7221 US HIGHWAY 98 NORTH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Chad McLeod seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Phillip Walker, Don Selvage, Stephanie Madden, Chad McLeod, Bill Read, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent. Ayes-six. Nays-zero. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

Resolution 5668; Proposed 21-023; Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Supplemental JPA with FDOT for Financial Project No. 441683-1-94-01 for Final Funding to Support the Improvements for RWY 9-27 at Lakeland Linder International Airport

> A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SUPPLEMENTAL JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR FINAL FUNDING TO SUPPORT IMPROVEMENTS TO RUNWAY 9-27 AT LAKELAND LINDER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT; ADOPTING FINDINGS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Bill Read moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Stephanie Madden seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Phillip Walker, Don Selvage, Stephanie Madden, Chad McLeod, Bill Read, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent. Ayes-six. Nays-zero. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

Resolution 5669; Proposed 21-024; Amending Resolution 5646; Authorizing Approval of a Revised JPA with FDOT for Financial Project No. 444290-1-58-01 for Construction Funding for the State Road 572 (Drane Field Road) at Don Emerson Drive Intersection Improvement Project

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A REVISED JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; AMENDING RESOLUTION 5646; PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION FUNDING FOR THE STATE ROAD 572 (DRANE FIELD ROAD) AT DON EMERSON DRIVE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; AUTHORIZING AN APPROPRIATION AND INCREASE IN ESTIMATED REVENUE IN THE TRANSPORTATION FUND FOR THE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; MAKING FINDINGS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Phillip Walker seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments from the audience.

The Commission discussed:
The length of the project, 310 days.
Waring Rd, FDOT was handling that project on their own. Construction was scheduled for 2024.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Chad McLeod, Bill Read, Stephanie Madden, Don Selvage, Phillip Walker, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent. Ayes – six. Nays – zero. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

Resolution 5670; Proposed 21-025; Creating the Public Improvement Endowment Fund Board and Providing for the Deposit of Additional Monies into the Public Improvement Endowment Fund

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA RELATING TO INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT POLICIES; AMENDING RESOLUTION 5242; CREATING THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT ENDOWMENT FUND BOARD; AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

> TO THE FUND; PROVIDING AUTHORITY TO THE BOARD TO INVEST THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT ENDOWMENT FUND PURSUANT TO ADOPTED INVESTMENT POLICIES; GRANTING THE BOARD CERTAIN POWERS; MAKING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Chad McLeod, Bill Read, Stephanie Madden, Don Selvage, Phillip Walker, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent. Ayes – six. Nays – zero. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

Resolution 5671; Proposed 21-026; Authorizing Execution of an Agreement for the Subordination of City Utility Interests Located on W. Pipkin Road from San Antonio Drive to S. Lakeland Drive

> A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR THE SUBORDINATION OF CITY UTILITY INTERESTS LOCATED ON W. PIPKIN ROAD FROM SAN ANTONIO DRIVE TO S. LAKELAND DRIVE; MAKING FINDINGS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the resolution. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Upon roll call vote Commissioners Phillip Walker, Don Selvage, Stephanie Madden, Chad McLeod, Bill Read, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent. Ayes-six. Nays-zero. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

Miscellaneous Reports

* **Use Agreement with the Polk Museum of Art for the Annual Mayfaire by-the-Lake Event**

This proposed Use Agreement with the Polk Museum of Art was for the Mayfaire by the Lake annual event scheduled for May 7, 2021 through May 9, 2021. The Agreement allows for the Polk Museum to have exclusive use and control of the property located generally around Lake Morton, including all rights of ways, the lakeshore, sidewalks and other public property, for the term of 9:00 a.m. on Friday, May 7, 2021 through 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 9, 2021. The Museum shall pay the City a fee for the use of the premises intended as reimbursement for the support services provided.

Polk Museum of Art is required to maintain general liability insurance and indemnify, hold harmless and defend the City from any and all claims that may arise. A Parks and Recreation Director has also been appointed as authorized representative to enter the premises during the event to perform inspections deemed necessary. Other provisions require the Museum to maintain the premises during the term of the Agreement and repair any damage to the premises that occurs.

Staff recommended that the appropriate City Officials be authorized to execute this Agreement.

Action: The Commission approved this item as part of the Consent Agenda.

Memo re: Agreement with CDW Government, LLC for Replacement of the City's Virtual Server Infrastructure

This proposed Agreement with CDW Government, LLC (CDW) was for the purchase of hardware and related software to replace the City's virtual server infrastructure. This purchase will equip the City's Main Datacenter and Disaster Recovery Datacenter with the computing and storage (server platform) capacity necessary to run the City's Production and Testing Software Systems for the next five (5) years.

Over the past several years, the City's investment in the EMC VBlock technology has provided a solid platform for hosting the City's virtual servers. During this period, the City has more than doubled the number of servers supported by this infrastructure. While the system has continued to perform well, some of the technology has reached the end of its useful life and will no longer be supported. Consequently, the City is seeking to invest in technology that will enable the City to:

- Continue to provide the necessary computing and storage capacity to operate the City's Enterprise systems
- Manage Oracle licensing costs
- Maintain the City's backup retention without having to support multiple solutions
- Reduce or eliminate down time to implement the new infrastructure, thereby reducing overtime costs
- Reduce impact of the learning curve of new infrastructure
- Continue to provide cloud integration options and the support of a hybrid environment when needed
- Reduce overall cost impact to the City by implementing a proposed solution that is $700,000 under budget

Upon evaluation by staff, CDW Government was selected pursuant to Sourcewell Contract 081419-CDW based on its ability to provide the most comprehensive solution to best meet the City's needs. Sourcewell is a municipal contracting agency that enables governmental entities to cooperatively procure equipment, product and services in order to receive volume pricing discounts.

CDW's proposed Dell EMC-VXBlock technology was chosen after a thorough analysis that included categories such as Pricing, Operations/Usability, Oracle Licensing, and Security. The City's investment in this purchase is part of a regular replacement cycle of technology and is supported by funds currently available in DoIT's replacement account budget for the FY2021.

The term of this Agreement, effective upon City Commission approval, will be for a period of five (5) years, for a total cost of $3,372,866. The total purchase price includes the hardware, related software licensing (including updates), training and a five (5) year warranty on hardware. All terms and conditions for this purchase will be governed by the Sourcewell Contract, as well as the Addendum.

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve this Agreement with CDW for the replacement of the City's virtual server infrastructure and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute all corresponding documents on behalf of the City.

Ramona Sirianni presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Commissioner Phillip Walker asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Commissioner Phillip Walker called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 5-0. Mayor Bill Mutz and Commissioner Sara McCarley were absent.

Memo re: Task Authorization with Chastain-Skillman, Inc. for Engineering Services for Water Utility Relocations for the FDOT SR 400 (I-4) at SR 33 Interchange Modification and SR 33 from Old Combee to University Blvd. Projects

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is proposing improvements to SR33 in two phases - from Old Combee Road to University Boulevard, and at the I-4/SR33 interchange. FDOT's work will include road widening and drainage improvements requiring the relocation of water and wastewater utilities.

This proposed Task Authorization with Chastain-Skillman, Inc. ("CSI") was for engineering services for utility relocations for the above referenced projects. In accordance with the Task Authorization, CSI will provide design, permitting, bidding assistance, construction administration, resident project representative, and project close-out services for necessary water and wastewater utility relocations in conjunction with the FDOT's improvements. All services pursuant to this Task Authorization will be performed in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Continuing Contract and Agreement for Municipal Engineering Services between the City and CSI, which was previously approved by the City Commission in September 2016. The total not-to exceed cost associated with this Task Authorization is $235,600. In addition, reimbursable expenses will be paid in accordance with the City's Consultant Expense Reimbursement Policy.

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve the Task Authorization with Chastain-Skillman and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute the Task Authorization.

Palmer Davis presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Don Selvage moved to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Stephanie Madden seconded.

Commissioner Phillip Walker asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Commissioner Phillip Walker called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 5-0. Mayor Bill Mutz and Commissioner Sara McCarley were absent at that time.

Memo re: Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Se7en Wetlands Phase III Trail Completion

This agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection was for a Recreational Trails Program Grant for the completion of the Se7en Wetlands trails. Total project cost is estimated at $475,658.00 with the grant reimbursing 50% of the total cost equal to $237,829.00.

In 1985, the City of Lakeland purchased 1,640 acres of reclaimed phosphate property and converted the land to create a wastewater treatment wetland system. The system, which has been in operation since 1987, is the tertiary treatment process for the city's wastewater operations. A Master Plan was completed in 2014 to open the property to the public for recreation and environmental education. The wetland was named Se7en Wetlands and opened to the public in April 2018. Currently eight (8) miles of trails are open to the public around Wetlands #1 and #2 with boardwalks, picnic shelters and restrooms. The trails are currently accessible through Loyce Harpe Park and Lakeland Highlands Scrub.

The city was recently selected to receive a grant through the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) administered by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection

(FDEP) for the completion of trails, boardwalks, wayfinding markers, and benches around the remaining wetlands along with access through a connection to Mulberry Park on the south end of the property. This will complete the Master Plan of over 22 miles of trails and the connection of over 2,700 acres of recreations lands (Loyce E. Harpe Park to the northwest, Lakeland Highland Scrub Preserve to the northeast, and Mulberry Park to the south).

The total project cost is estimated at $475,658. The RTP grant will reimburse the city $237,829 at project completion with the city matching $237,829. The required match is funded in the Water Utilities' FY21 & 22 budgets. Accepting this grant funding requires an appropriation of $237,829 from the Water Utilities Fund which will be reimbursed by federal funds from the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration through the grant being administered by FDEP.

Staff recommended the City Commission authorize the execution of the RTP grant agreement with the state, approve an appropriation and increase in estimated revenues of $275,658 from the Unappropriated Surplus of the Water Utilities Fund, reimbursable by the grant, and that the appropriate City official be authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City

Palmer Davis presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments from the audience.

The commission discussed the timeline for completion. Staff anticipated one-year.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent.

Memo re: Amendment to Ground Lease with Tigertown GM, Ltd. to Extend Closing Date for Parker Pointe Apartments to August 31, 2021

On September 5, 2019, the City Commission selected Tigertown GM, Ltd., an affiliate of Green Mills Group, LLC, to develop Parker Pointe Apartments, a multi-family affordable housing complex to be constructed on approximately 2.83 acres of City-owned property located north of E. Bella Vista Street, west of W. Lake Parker Drive, east of N. Lake Avenue and South of TigerTown. Pursuant to the City's Ground Lease with Tigertown GM, Tigertown GM will be developing 36 one-bedroom, 40 two-bedroom and 12 three-bedroom apartments (a total of 88 units) on the subject property, to be rented to families earning between 30-80% of Polk County's Average Median Income (AMI).

The Ground Lease between the City and Tigertown GM provides that Tigertown GM shall close on the financing for the project no later than December 31, 2020, but such date may be extended upon mutual written agreement of the parties. Tigertown GM has submitted site plans and building permit applications for the project, which are currently under review, and is finalizing the credit underwriting process with the Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) and does not anticipate any problems with the closing, although the process has taken longer than expected. The Community and Economic Development Department remains supportive of the project. Under the proposed Amendment to Ground Lease, the closing date for Tigertown GM to secure the financing for the project would be extended to August 31, 2021, failing which the lease will automatically terminate.

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve the Amendment to Ground Lease with Tigertown GM, Ltd. extending the closing date to secure financing for the project to August 31, 2021.

Palmer Davis presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Bill Read moved to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience. There were no comments.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote and the motion carried unanimously, 6-0. Commissioner Sara McCarley was absent.

FINANCE DIRECTOR

* **Appropriation – General Fund and Downtown CRA Fund**

On November 2, 2020, the City Commission approved the Acquisition and Development Agreement with the Chamber of Commerce for property adjacent to the RP Funding Center. The City sold the land to the Chamber for $270,000 and has agreed to provide development incentives with a maximum of $645,000 to the Chamber if certain conditions are met throughout the process.

Located on that property is a storage building used by 3-fulltime Parks employees assigned to maintain that area of town (including the RP Funding Center grounds). These employees and the items stored in the current building require relocation to a new facility. The closest area owned by the City for their relocation is the Tigertown Complex. Along with housing employees and their equipment, the storage building also houses all the City's Christmas decorations, swan boats, irrigation equipment, artwork used as rotation pieces throughout the City as well as spare seating for Munn Park.

The cost to construct a new Parks storage building at Tigertown for these employees, their equipment and the other items noted above is $450,000. The funding for this relocation is recommended to come from the following sources:

- Downtown CRA - $290,000
- General Fund - Monies from the recent sale of the parking lot adjacent to Bryant Stadium / Henley Field to the PCSB - $100,000
- General Fund Catalyst Site monies - $60,000

Staff requested that the City Commission authorize an appropriation from the Downtown CRA of $290,000 and $160,000 from the General Fund as noted above to the Public Improvement Fund for the construction of a replacement Parks storage building at the Tigertown Complex.

Action: The Commission approved this item as part of the Consent Agenda.

UTILITY

Ordinances - None

Resolutions - None

Miscellaneous

* **Memo re: Task Authorization with Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. for Byproduct Storage Area Closure Evaluation**

This proposed Task Authorization with Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. (Geosyntec) was to provide consulting services for closure of the byproduct storage area at the McIntosh Power Plant in accordance with the Coal Combustion Residual (CCR) Rule. Pursuant to the Task Authorization Geosyntec's services will include:

- A site visit, data review and data gap analysis.
- Design report describing the technical approach planned to complete the closure of the byproduct storage area, including parameters used during the design.
- Closure evaluation.
- Final closure evaluation report.
- General CCR Rule support services.

Upon City Commission approval, Geosyntec will commence work. All services pursuant to this Task Authorization will be performed in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the City's Continuing Contract for Environmental Consulting Services with Geosyntec dated October 1, 2019 and Geosyntec's proposal dated March 12, 2021. All reimbursable expenses shall be paid in accordance with the City's Consultant Expense Reimbursement Policy. The total not-to-exceed cost of the work is estimated at $68,500 and is included in Lakeland Electric's FY2021 budget.

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve this Task Authorization with Geosyntec for closure evaluation consulting services for closure of the byproduct storage area at McIntosh Power Plant and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute all corresponding documents on behalf of the City.

Action: The Commission approved this item as part of the Consent Agenda.

AUDIENCE

Shannon Turbeville came forward representing professional firefighters. He asked that the Commission provide the necessary budget to staff the ladder truck at all times. This was an FY22 budget request.

MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COMMISSION

Mayor Bill Mutz:

- Courageous Conversation deadline to sign up this week at www.courgeoustalks.com.
- Announced election tomorrow. He thanked Commissioner Don Selvage for his service.
- Announced meeting time change to 9 a.m. beginning in June 2021.
- Announced solid COVID numbers holding well after Spring Break. Averaging 2,000 shots per day in Lakeland. Polk was almost to 100,000 vaccinations and the infection rate was below 10%.
- Asked for an update on Fred Lohr - Mr. Lohr was directed to staff. Mr. Lohr has met with staff. Nicole Travis gave the update. 120 W Patterson St. was cited 26 times since 2002 14 times since 2014. Mr. Lohr said he was given a pass to mow because of the seagrass. Staff disagreed with Mr. Lohr. The property needed to be maintained to the same standards expected for other property owners. She has not waived any costs for his liens. The property is adjacent to another property owner who continues to call about the property not being maintained.

Action: Commissioner Stephanie Madden moved to enforce the fees assessed. Commissioner Don Selvage seconded. Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments and there were none. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

Commissioner Phillip Walker:
NLC Real - Race Equity and Leadership: He suggested the Commission look at it. That council meets twice a year.
Gave an update on the NLC Conference 5 priorities
1 Affordable Housing
2 Broadband
3 Infrastructure
4 Workforce Development
5 Public Safety

Asked the Commissioners join a policy committee with the FLC. He asked them to volunteer for a committee by May 7th. The committees are listed on FLCities.com
Construction underway at the library for the LHCC

Commissioner Don Selvage:
- Go Vote!
- COVID we are making process. He urged everyone to get vaccinations and wear the mask. We are not out of the woods yet.
- Unsung Heroes: Kirsten left him a card in appreciation of his work. Kirsten and Calita are part of a 36-member custodial unit under Richard Baker. They have worked hard during COVID to keep the facilities clean and sanitized.

Commissioner Stephanie Madden:
- Broadband - hopefully will have an update soon. One hurdle was that we do not have as much fiber as we initially thought. She now wonders if they should have had a consultant to serve as a mediator for negotiations. She was not sure they had the expertise to make some of these decisions going forward and making these technical decisions.
- PEACE: the thought of not moving the dial for homeless children is sobering. She did want to challenge her colleagues to move the dial for the 1500 homeless children. She was asking that homeless children and families below 50% AMI be used as benchmarks for affordable housing.
- Comp Plan: She is still requesting reimaging mobile home parks and tiny home specs. She also wanted a path or trail from RP Funding center to Lake Bonnet Park.

Shawn Sherrouse: This is a good time to advise the Commission that the broadband negotiations has had some difficulties, but Summit has been a good partner in setting down with attorneys and executives to compromise to get to a proposed contract for commission review. He thought that was very likely coming soon maybe by the end of April. If there was a call for a consultant to review a contract, they would need to move on that very quickly.

The Commission discussed the matter and decided to wait for the update or a consultant as the draft contract was anticipated to be ready for consideration by the end of the month.

Commissioner Bill Read:
- Go Vote!
- Next Monday Sun 'n Fun starts. Traffic will be busy out near the airport so please allow extra time. It is a great family event to attend.

Commissioner Chad McLeod:
- Attended Police awards last Friday.
- Thanked Commissioner Don Selvage for his service.

CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT – 7:19 p.m.

H. William Mutz, Mayor

Kelly S. Koos, City Clerk