## LAKELAND CITY COMMISSION

# Regular Session June 20, 2022

The Lakeland City Commission met in Regular Session in the City Commission Chambers. Mayor Bill Mutz and Commissioners Chad McLeod, Bill Read, Stephanie Madden, Sara McCarley, Mike Musick, and Phillip Walker were present. City Manager Shawn Sherrouse, Deputy City Attorney Ramona Sirianni, Finance Director Mike Brossart, and Deputy City Clerk Debbie Cason were present.

# CALL TO ORDER - 9 A.M.

## PRESENTATIONS

Office of Innovation and Strategy Update (Emily Colon, Deputy City Manager)

GFOA Distinguished Budget Award (Mayor Mutz)

Mayor Bill Mutz congratulated City Manager Shawn Sherrouse for winning the "If You Care, You Do!" award from the Florida City and County Management Association's Board of Directors.

## **PROCLAMATIONS**

LGBTQ Pride Month

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RELATED ITEMS

Real Estate & Transportation Committee 6/17/22

Parking License Agreement with Farm Credit of Central Florida, ACA

Commissioner Mike Musick presented this report.

Motion: Commissioner Sara McCarley moved to approve the sale of the property. Commissioner Phillip Walker 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 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 Mike Musick 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)

- Commission Minutes June 3 6, 2022
- Utility Committee Minutes June 3, 2022

Action: The Commission approved these minutes as part of the Consent Agenda.

## REQUESTS TO APPEAR FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC - None

#### **EQUALIZATION HEARINGS – None**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Ordinances (Second Reading)

Ordinance 5933; Proposed 22-022; Amending the City of Lakeland Employees' Pension and Retirement System Plan to Remove all Non-Sworn Police Officers and Firefighters from the Plan (1st Rdg. 06-06-2022)

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CITY OF LAKELAND EMPLOYEES' PENSION AND RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTION 21, DEFINITIONS, OF ARTICLE II OF DIVISION II OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA; MAKING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ramona Sirianni read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the ordinance. 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, Mike Musick, Sara McCarley, Stephanie Madden, Chad McLeod, Bill Read, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Ayes-seven. Nays-zero. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 5934; Proposed 22-023; Amending Chapter 62, Article II, Division 3, of the City Code, the City of Lakeland Police Officers' Retirement System, to Reduce Required Contributions (1st Rdg. 06-06-2022)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND AMENDING CHAPTER 62, LAW ENFORCEMENT, ARTICLE II, POLICE OFFICERS' BENEFITS, DIVISION 3, CITY OF LAKELAND POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND; AMENDING SECTION 62-55, CONTRIBUTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 62-81, ACTUARIAL GAIN SHARING ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES I CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ramona Sirianni read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the ordinance. 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 Chad McLeod, Bill Read, Stephanie Madden, Sara McCarley, Mike Musick, Phillip Walker, and Mayor Bill Mutz voted aye. Ayes – seven. Nays – zero. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 5935; Proposed 22-024; Approving a Conditional Use to Allow for the Conversion of a Group Home into a Two-Family Residential Dwelling on Property Located at 722 E. Myrtle Street (1st Rdg. 06-06-2022)

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ZONING; MAKING FINDINGS; APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE TO ALLOW FOR THE CONVERSION OF A GROUP HOME INTO A TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DWELLING ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 722 E. MYRTLE STREET; FINDING CONFORMITY WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ramona Sirianni 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.

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

Ordinance 5936; Proposed 22-025; Small Scale Amendment #LUS22-001 to the Future Land Use Map to Change Future Land Use from Mixed Commercial Corridor (MCC) to Community Activity Center (CAC) on Approximately 2.14 Acres Located at 1141 E. Memorial Boulevard (1st Rdg. 06-06-2022)

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE MAKING FINDINGS: PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT #LUS22-001 TO A CERTAIN PORTION OF THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE LAKELAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: OUR COMMUNITY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION APPROXIMATELY 2.14 ACRES LOCATED AT 1141 E. MEMORIAL BOULEVARD FROM MIXED COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR (MCC) TO COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER (CAC); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ramona Sirianni read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Mike Musick moved to approve the ordinance. Commissioner Sara McCarley seconded.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for comments from the Commission and the audience.

Commissioner Phillip Walker appreciated the momentum. This corridor was coming back now. It had been vacant for so many years.

Commissioner Bill Read lived in this neighborhood. This was a good use for this property. He also thanked Tom Mims (owner of the property) for his graciousness in sponsoring Red, White, & Kaboom each year.

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

Ordinance 5937; Proposed 22-026; Amending Ordinance 3524, as amended; Major Modification of PUD Zoning to Allow for a Three-Story 102,648 sq. ft. Commercial Building, Consisting of a 99,648 sq. ft. Mini-Warehouse/Self-Storage Facility with 3,000 sq. ft. of Ground-Floor Retail Uses on Approximately 2.14 Acres Located at 1141 E. Memorial Boulevard (1st Rdg. 06-06-2022)

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ZONING; MAKING FINDINGS; AMENDING ORDINANCE 3524, AS AMENDED, TO PROVIDE FOR A MODIFICATION TO PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT ZONING TO ALLOW FOR A THREE-STORY 102,648 SQUARE FOOT COMMERCIAL BUILDING, CONSISTING OF A 99,648 SQUARE FOOT MINI-WAREHOUSE/SELF-STORAGE FACILITY WITH 3,000 SQUARE FEET OF GROUND-FLOOR RETAIL USES ON APPROXIMATELY 2.14 ACRES LOCATED AT 1141 E. MEMORIAL BOULEVARD; PROVIDING CONDITIONS; FINDING CONFORMITY WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ramona Sirianni read the short title.

Motion: Commissioner Bill Read moved to approve the ordinance. Commissioner Mike Musick seconded.

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

The Commission discussed the previous uses of the property.

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

#### Miscellaneous

Memo re: Proposed One Year Action Plan and Projected Use of Funds 48<sup>th</sup> Year CDGB and 28<sup>th</sup> Year of HOME

These were the recommendations for the City's One Year Action Plan and Projected Use of Funds for the 48th Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and 28th Year HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs. The program year would begin October 1, 2022 and end September 30, 2023.

The recommendations continue to emphasize benefits to low and moderate income residents of the City, with funding directed to housing rehabilitation, new construction through HOME CHDO program, home purchase assistance, code enforcement, and public services ranging from summer recreation to services for the elderly. The Action Plan reflects the shift of funds to a new construction strategy.

For program year 2022-2023, HUD has issued the awards for the City of Lakeland of \$907,548 for CDBG and \$430,231 for HOME.

The Affordable Housing Advisory Committee received Public Service requests for the 48th year of CDBG funding and is recommending funding in the amount of \$136,132 for such purposes, which include the activities of non-profit organizations and summer recreation programs. Staff concurs with the committee's recommendations. The balance of CDBG and HOME funds will be directed to housing rehabilitation, new construction, home purchase assistance, and code enforcement.

Public meetings on the Plan were held on May 9 and May 26, 2022. Public hearings would also be held on June 20 and July 18, 2022. The public review and comment period would run from June 12 to July 12, 2022. The One Year Action Plan & Projected Use of Funds were due to be filed in the Jacksonville offices of HUD on or before August 15, 2022. No action was required from the City Commission, but a public presentation was required.

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Mike Smith, Housing Manager, made this presentation. This would come back to the Commission for approval on July 18, 2022.

Commissioner Bill Read asked what the Wilson House was.

Mike Smith stated the Wilson House worked with those coming out of prison.

Mike Musick asked why there was there such a large carry over.

Mike Smith replied it allowed them to continue without waiting for funds.

Mayor Bill Mutz asked for public comments. There were none.

## CITY MANAGER

# Recommendation re: Renewal of Airport Liability Insurance

The City's Risk Broker, Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc. markets our Airport Liability Insurance coverage renewal. Ace Property & Casualty Insurance Company holds the current policy for the City's Airport Liability Insurance which will expire on June 22, 2022. Airport Liability insurance covers the liability of the City which operates and provides facilities at the airport, including airport owners and operators, hangar keepers, air traffic control services, maintenance, repair and service facilities, aircraft refuelers and flying clubs and schools. The annual premium for the current three-year policy, which began in June of 2019 was \$39,905 per year, with Terrorism and War endorsements excluded.

As the Airport has expanded over the past three years and increased the amount and types of traffic and people through its gates, it is recommended that additional endorsements be added to protect the City in this venue. The Airport activity is forecasted to continue to expand due to the infrastructure development that has been completed and the planned infrastructure investments over the next three years. With these ongoing public and private investments, it is prudent that the Airport insures itself against additional perils further protecting the Airport and City.

The renewal premium quoted by the current insurance company, Ace Property & Casualty Insurance Company, is \$55,116.13 annually for a three-year period. This will include the Endorsements of Terrorism and War and a .7% Florida Insurance Guarantee Association (FIGA) charge. FIGA is a nonprofit corporation created by the Florida Legislature in 1970 and provides protection to insurance policyholders and beneficiaries of policies issued by an insurance company that has become insolvent and is no longer able to meet its obligations.

Staff recommended that the City Commission authorize the appropriate City Officials to renew the Airport Liability insurance coverage for a three-year policy at the premium of \$55,116.13 annually with Ace Property & Casualty Insurance effective June 23, 2022

Shawn Sherrouse presented this item to the Commission.

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

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

Commissioner Bill Read asked about limits and deductibles.

Joyce Dias reported there was a zero deductible and explained the various limits.

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

## CITY ATTORNEY

Ordinances (First Reading)

Proposed 22-027; Approving the Inclusion of Certain Lands within the Boundaries of the Lakeland Area Mass Transit District

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE LAKELAND AREA MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT; MAKING FINDINGS; APPROVING THE INCLUSION OF CERTAIN LANDS LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKELAND WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE LAKELAND AREA MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT; 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 July 5, 2022.

# Miscellaneous Reports

Memo re: Loan Agreement with Impeccable Construction, Inc. for the Construction of a Single-Family Detached Home Located at 836 Vermont Ave. and Three Single-Family Attached Homes Located at 834 Vermont Ave.

This was a Loan Agreement with Impeccable Construction, Inc., for the construction and delivery of a new single-family detached home located at 836 Vermont Ave., and three single-family attached homes located at 834 Vermont Ave., to be sold or rented to income qualified affordable housing buyers or renters as part of the Infill Line of Credit Incentive Program. The program was funded by both the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) and State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP).

On January 13, 2022, the Housing Division, through the Purchasing Department, issued two Requests for Proposals (RFP) offering construction financing through the Infill Line of Credit Incentive Program. The first RFP (RFP 2034a) offered \$250,000 in SHIP funding for the development of new single-family homes to serve households with incomes at 80% or below the Area Median Income (AMI). Currently, 80% AMI is \$54,000 for a family of four (4). The second RFP (RFP 2034) offered \$300,000 of CRA funding available for

construction of affordable single-family homes within the Midtown CRA district to serve households with incomes at 120% AMI or below. Currently, 120% AMI is \$81,000 for a family of four (4). The funding for both RFP's is due back with interest to the City of Lakeland upon sale of the homes to income-qualified buyers.

The City of Lakeland received three responses to RFP 2034 for a total requested amount of \$450,000 and received no responses for RFP NO. 2034a. After consulting with the Purchasing Department, it was determined that all three responses qualified for both RFPs and Housing Division staff proceeded to prepare funding Agreements with each of the three builders that submitted a proposal.

Builder	No. of Units		SHIP	MidTown CRA
	SF	SFA	(RFP2034a)	(RFP 2034)
Impeccable Construction	1	3		\$250,000
Lakeland Home Inspection Services	1		\$100,000	
Property Scholars	1		\$100,000	
Total	3	3	\$200,000	\$250,000

Under the terms of these Agreements, the property must be under contract for sale or rent to an affordable homebuyer or renter within eighteen (18) months of the date of closing of awarded funding.

Staff recommended that the Commission authorized the appropriate City officials to execute the Agreement with Impeccable Construction, Inc. and all associated documents for the construction and delivery of a single-family detached home located at 836 Vermont Ave. and three single-family attached homes located at 834 Vermont Ave., to income qualified affordable buyers or renters.

Jerrod Simpson presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the agreement. Commissioner Mike Musick seconded.

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

The Commission discussed how an income qualified person could apply, through the home buyer education program.

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

Memo re: Loan Agreement with Property Scholars Realty and Development, LLC for the Construction of a Single-Family Detached Home Located at 1219 Brunnell Pkwy.

This was a Loan Agreement with Property Scholars Realty and Development, LLC for the construction and delivery of a new single-family detached home located at 1219 Brunnell Pkwy., to be sold to an income qualified household as part of the Infill Line of Credit

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Lakeland Home Inspection Services	1		\$100,000	
Property Scholars	1		\$100,000	
Total	3	3	\$200,000	\$250,000

Under the terms of these Agreements, the property must be under contract for sale or rent to an affordable homebuyer or renter within eighteen (18) months of the date of closing of awarded funding.

Staff recommended that the Commission authorize the appropriate City officials to execute the Agreement with Property Scholars Realty and Development, LLC and all associated documents for the construction and delivery of a new single-family detached home located at 1219 Brunnell Pkwy., to an income qualified affordable buyer.

Jerrod Simpson presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the agreement. Commissioner Mike Musick 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. The motion carried unanimously.

Memo re: Loan Agreement with Lakeland Home Inspection Services Corporation for the Construction of a Single-Family Detached Home Located at 1319 W. Hunter St.

This was a Loan Agreement with Lakeland Home Inspection Services Corporation for the construction and delivery of a new single-family detached home located at 1319 W. Hunter St., to be sold to an income qualified household as part of the Infill Line of Credit Incentive Program. The program was funded by both the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) and State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP).

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Builder	No. of Units		SHIP	MidTown CRA
	SF	SFA	(RFP2034a)	(RFP 2034)
Impeccable Construction	1	3		\$250,000
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Property Scholars	1		\$100,000	
Total	3	3	\$200,000	\$250,000

Under the terms of these Agreements, the property must be under contract for sale or rent to an affordable homebuyer or renter within eighteen (18) months of the date of closing of awarded funding.

Staff recommended that the Commissioner authorize the appropriate City officials to execute the Agreement with Lakeland Home Inspection Services Corporation and all associated documents for the construction and delivery of a new single-family detached home located at 1319 W. Hunter St., to an income qualified affordable buyer.

Jerrod Simpson presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the agreement. Commissioner Phillip Walker 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. The motion carried unanimously.

 Memo re: Approval of Shortlist for RFQ 2033 - Western Trunk Gravity Sewer Replacement

The City owns and operates many gravity sewer lines, and the Western Trunk is one of the City's largest. This trunk line was responsible for a flow of approximately 3.5 million gallons per day (MGD) annual average and terminates at the Southwest Pump Station (Edgewood Drive) through a 36-inch reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) gravity sewer line. The existing Western Trunk system was approximately 12,800 lineal feet with 43 manholes and approximately 47 branches that flow into the manholes along the sewer line's route.

The existing 36-inch RCP gravity sewer and manholes were lined in the late 1980's. This refurbishment was done with a lining system that reduced the line from 36 inches to approximately 30 inches. The line has reached its capacity and is also starting to show numerous maintenance concerns with localized repairs.

On January 12, 2022, Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 2033 was generated to prequalify contractors capable of performing a sewer line replacement with this level of scope and complexity across a highly urbanized corridor. Several delivery methods were considered at the conceptual phase and because of the anticipated unknown underground challenges and a fast-tracked schedule, Progressive Design- Build was the selected choice. Accordingly, RFQ 2033 was written to qualify respondents in accordance with the format prescribed in § 287.055, Florida Statutes, commonly known as the Consultants Competitive Negotiations Act (CCNA). RFQ 2033 was evaluated by a team of three Water Utilities staff members and the rankings were as follows:

Ranking	Company	Location
1.	Garney	Winter Garden, FL
2.	Killebrew	Lakeland, FL

Staff intended that a large portion of funding for this project would be provided by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. Due to federal procurement regulations applicable to ARPA, local preference cannot apply.

Staff requested that the City Commission approve the shortlist and ranking and authorize the Water Utilities Department to proceed with the next phase of the selection process whereby a contract would be negotiated by staff and brought back to the City Commission for Approval.

Action: The Commission approved this item when approving the Consent Agenda.

## UTILITY

# Memo re: Agreement with Permacast LLC, for Construction of Privacy Wall at Bridgewater Substation

This was a proposed Agreement with Permacast, LLC for construction of a privacy wall at the Bridgewater Substation, located at 5430 North Road 33. The substation is part of Lakeland Electric System Planning's ten (10) year plan and commenced operation on February 24, 2022. A landscape buffer to screen the Bridgewater Substation from view from all public right of way is required pursuant to the City's Land Development Code. Accordingly, City staff determined that to comply with the City's Code requirement and work with the Bridgewater neighborhood to make the roadway along the Substation more aesthetically pleasing, it was best to construct a privacy wall along State Road 33 that is approximately 685 feet in length and eight (8) feet in height.

On March 28, 2022, the City's Purchasing Department issued Invitation to Bid No. 2108 seeking qualified contractors to provide all engineering, drawings, color renderings, permits, materials, equipment and labor for the construction of a privacy wall at the Bridgewater Substation. The City received responses from the three (3) contractors listed below.

Contractor	Location	Bid Price
Waller Construction, Inc.	Lakeland, FL	\$118,500.00
Permacast, LLC	Bradenton, FL	\$123,610.00
Lakeland Housing Inspection Services Corp.	Lakeland, FL	\$209,626.00

Upon evaluation by City staff, Permacast, LLC was selected as the most responsive, responsible bidder capable of providing the services in accordance with the City's Bid Specifications. Although Waller Construction Inc.'s (Waller) bid was the lowest in price, City staff determined that Permacast, LLC's bid was more responsive and better able to meet the City's Bid Specifications based on the following considerations that were evaluated:

- The City's Bid Specifications required that the wall design compliment the neighborhood entrance and include photos of the proposed wall design. Permacast, LLC's bid submittal specifically included photos of actual jobs it completed, as well as a photo of a wall design depicting what would closely match the neighborhood entrance. While Waller's bid submittal included a brochure of multiple wall design options, none specifically met the Bid Specification criteria and no actual job photos were included as part of the bid.
- Permacast, LLC's time to begin and complete the project was shorter than Waller's.
- Permacast, LLC's bid submittal provided a detailed scope of work, which also addressed pricing for contingencies, which Waller's bid submittal did not include.

 Permacast, LLC proposed to do all work related to the project in-house, while Waller proposed subcontracting/outsourcing the work to a company in Oviedo, FL.

Upon approval by the City Commission, construction is scheduled to begin in July 2022 and will take approximately two (2) weeks to complete. The privacy wall will be constructed using two-part precast concrete with a stacked stone finish that compliments the Bridgewater neighborhood's existing entrance sign.

Permacast, LLC will perform all services pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the City's Bid Specifications and Permacast, LLC's proposal dated June 10, 2022. In addition to the \$123,610.00 bid price, a contingency of \$420.00 per foundation or a not-to-exceed total contingency amount of \$15,120.00 is requested if the column foundations require sleeving due to collapsing soils. The total estimated cost of the work is \$138,730.00, which is included in Lakeland Electric's FY22 budget.

Staff recommended that the Commission approve this Agreement with Permacast, LLC for the construction of a privacy wall at the Bridgewater Substation and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute all corresponding documents on behalf of the City for construction of this project.

Ramona Sirianni presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Mike Musick moved to approve this agreement. Commissioner Bill Read seconded.

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

The Commission discussed landscaping, which Bridgewater would provide.

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

#### AUDIENCE

Jon Friedt spoke against the City presenting a proclamation for LGBTQ. He was saddened to see the City present a proclamation. He urged City leadership and the community to avoid promoting the LGBTQ lifestyle.

Paul Armes spoke against a proclamation for LGBTQ. This was in opposition to God's moral laws.

Carolyn Braudrick thought the government officials had overstepped their boundaries by presenting a proclamation for LGBTQ.

Mildred Pagan spoke against the proclamation for LGBTQ. She was tired of people promoting gay rights. They took God out of school. They were living in the days of deception.

Bobby Shields spoke in favor of the LGBTQ proclamation. He was glad they did it. Religious thoughts were not applicable to everyone.

Melynda Rinker thanked them for the proclamation. They can love people no matter who they were. She also thanked the Commissioner for the Short-Term Rental Workshop on Friday. This was a sensitive subject, but owners had to keep their properties up to keep their ratings up.

Commissioner Chad McLeod and Sara McCarley left the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Mayor Bill Mutz stated it was their responsibility to love unconditionally and to recognize those who have different views. As a Commission, they need to uphold citizens' rights. There was nothing wrong with someone requesting something that was legal, not to accept them, but to recognize them.

## MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COMMISSION

# Commissioner Stephanie Madden:

- Attended the APPA conference for LE. Cindy Clemmons, Mike Beckham, and Kyle Vreeland also attended. She served on the AAPA Policy Makers Council and would be going to Washington, DC in July.
- Once In A Generation Investment. The City had a fiscally responsible role. If the money was coming, they needed to collaborate within the departments to determine how to use it.
- Keeping up with climate environmental policies. They had to keep an eye on grants.
- Supply chain issues. Our supply chain issue is transformers.
- Monster in energy. It shows how electricity is made and how to save electricity.

# Commissioner Phillip Walker:

- Thanked staff for hosting the Ridge League Dinner this past Thursday. They
  usually had a good attendance in Lakeland. He received the Home Rule Hero
  Award. He had received them since 2016.
- Yesterday was Juneteenth Day and Father's Day.
- Lakeland does not have the challenges here like other cities re short term rentals.

#### Commissioner Mike Musick:

- Observed the reach the Commission had outside of the City. Commissioner Phillip Walker in representing the City at the Florida League of Cities and Commissioner Stephanie Madden representing the City at Lakeland Electric conferences.
- . He asked how the proclamation process worked. Some are hot button issues.
- Was the Commission interested in having a workshop on roads? He was concerned about the number of potholes on the roads. He would like more of an education on this.

## Mayor Bill Mutz:

Proclamations; the process was simple. People contact the City Manager's Office.
 They could be for not for profits, things already shared communally. He had not

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read a proclamation that had not been reviewed. They have a responsibility to honor everyone. He does not always add that it was on behalf of the Commission.

Regarding roads, the roads in Florida are marvelous compared to other places.
 After midterm elections would be best time to have a workshop.

Shawn Sherrouse reported they would need a workshop for grants and to present some options. It would be fall before this would happen.

## Commissioner Bill Read:

- Appreciated everyone that came to the short-term rental workshop.
- · Roads probably things other counties are doing we could learn from.
- There was talk about a proposal for a 1 cent tax for roads for 12 years.
- July 4 coming up. He hoped everyone would come downtown for that.

The meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

H. William Mutz, Mayor

Deborah M. Cason, Deputy City Clerk

