LAKELAND CITY COMMISSION

Regular Session
August 2, 2021

The Lakeland City Commission met in Regular Session in the City Commission Chambers. The Agenda Study Session normally scheduled for the preceding Friday was cancelled due to scheduling conflicts. Mayor Bill Mutz and Commissioners Bill Read, Chad McLeod, Stephanie Madden, Sara McCarley, Mike Musick, 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 - 9:00 A.M.

PRESENTATIONS

Arts & Rec! - Programs and Exhibits in our Parks & Recreation Spaces and Facilities (Beth Sherling, Parks & Recreation Program Coordinator)

Beautification Awards (Bill Koen)

- Residential: 331 Kerneywood Street - Cheryl and Donald Montgomery
- Commercial: 1401 Lakeland Hills Boulevard - Sweet Cup Cafe

Lifetime Achievement Beautification Award - Bill Koen

LPD First Aid-CPR Lifesaving Award / Officer Wakesha Phidd and Detective Wayne Marrone (Chief Garcia) Alfred Sapp's family announced a celebration October 9th 6:30 p.m. at The Polk Theatre.

PROCLAMATIONS - National Night Out

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RELATED ITEMS

Real Estate & Transportation Committee 08/02/21

- Agreement with Lakeland Community Theatre
- Third Amendment to Ground Lease with Tigertown GM, Ltd.

Commissioner Bill Read presented this report.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to approve the recommendations. 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 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 Sara McCarley moved to approve the Consent Agenda. 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 MINUTES (with any amendments)

* City Commission Minutes – July 13-19, 2021

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

REQUESTS TO APPEAR FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC - None

EQUALIZATION HEARINGS

Recess/Convene: The Commission recessed the Regular Session and Convened as the Equalization Board.

Palmer Davis explained the City Charter requires that prior to recording a lien against private property, the City Commission convene as the Equalization Board and grant those property owners the opportunity to object to the recording of the lien or ask any questions they might have. If someone present received a notice to appear before the City Commission re a lots cleaning/clearing or demolition assessment, this is the time to address the Commission.

Mayor Bill Mutz invited anyone in the audience to come forward to the microphone and state their name.

Franklin Crews representing True Investors Development came forward. He just purchased the property. He requested a delay or a reinspection.

Palmer Davis explained there were two addresses belonging to True Investors.

Mr. Crews explained all the parcels were connected.

Palmer Davis suggested removing all the True Investor parcels for now and referring Mr. Crews to speak with staff.

Motion: Commissioner Phillip Walker moved to remove the True Investor parcels. Commissioner Sara McCarley seconded.

The Equalization Board discussed:

- These costs have already been incurred.
- Delegating this to staff.

Action: Mayor Bill Mutz called for the vote on the motion to remove the True Investor parcels. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Crews stated he wanted to develop affordable housing on the property.

Code Enforcement Officer Suny Marshal stated she had been in contact with the new owner and he has expressed the idea of building affordable housing. Code Enforcement is working with the new owner.

Action: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the revised list. Commissioner Sara McCarley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ordinances (Second Reading)

Proposed 21-032; Amending the City of Lakeland's Affordable Housing Incentive Plan (1st Rdg. 07-19-21)

> AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE CITY OF LAKELAND AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCENTIVE PLAN; MAKING FINDINGS; AMENDING INCENTIVE TARGET AREAS UNDER THE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF INCENTIVE APPLICATIONS; REPEALING PREVIOUS ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the title.

The Commission discussed:

- Expanding the area to include the entire city boundaries to allow affordable housing incentives anywhere in the City.

- An affordable housing developer asked the same question. Staff did not object to that concept. The boundaries were established based on the central city transit supportive boundaries. Affordable housing residents may need access to transit service. That is why it was established along those boundaries.
- Criteria for the tax credit is that the housing is close to pharmacy, hospital and transportation.
- Relaxing the boundaries did not mean the developer would not have the same hoops to jump through for tax credits.
- There has not been an affordable housing project that was denied the waiver of impact fees. Building outside the current boundaries required the extra step of going to the Commission for the waiver. This is all related to multifamily.
- The plan adopted by the Committee specified 100% reimbursable within the boundaries and outside the boundaries was based on income percentages. If the Commission removes the boundaries, staff could approve up to 100% This could necessitate amending the plan. They would need to go back to the first reading.
- There was no time pressure to get this approved.

Motion: Commissioner Bill Read moved to table the ordinance. Commissioner Chad McLeod seconded.

This would allow staff to streamline the process.

Shawn Sherrouse clarified that the Commission was instructing staff to remove the district boundaries and make development within the entire city limits eligible for affordable housing credits.

The developer may have to pay for transit if needed for the project.

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

Final Hearing re: Five Year Consolidated Plan & Strategy (2021-2025) and One Year Action Plan & Projected Use of Funds 47th Year CDBG and 27th Year HOME Programs

This is the City's Consolidated Plan and Strategy (2021-2025) and One Year Action Plan & Projected Use of Funds for the 47th Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and 27th Year HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs. The program year will begin October 1, 2021 and ends September 30, 2022.

The recommendations continue to emphasize benefits to low- and moderate-income residents of the City, with funding directed to housing rehabilitation, new construction, home purchase assistance, infrastructure, code enforcement, and public services ranging from summer recreation to services for the elderly.

For program year 2021-2022 the allocations are $975,018 for CDBG and $387,047 for HOME. The Planning & Housing Division has conducted numerous public meetings, published notices in the local newspaper, posted information on the city's website, and the City Commission held the first of two public hearings on July 6, 2021. The final public hearing is August 2, 2021, at the conclusion of which staff will request the City Commission's approval to submit the plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development by the August 15, 2021 deadline.

Annie Gibson explained this is an opportunity to hear from the public and gain Commission approval to forward to HUD.

Motion: Commissioner Sara McCarley moved to authorize staff to submit the plans to HUD. 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.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY - None

CITY MANAGER - None

CITY ATTORNEY

Ordinances (First Reading)

Proposed 21-033; Amending the City Charter re: Filling Vacancies on the City Commission and Providing for Canvassing Board Alternates

> AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE CITY CHARTER; ADOPTING FINDINGS; AMENDING SECTION 6 OF THE CITY CHARTER TO PROVIDE FOR THE FILLING OF VACANCIES ON THE CITY COMMISSION BY ELECTION AT THE NEXT AVAILABLE REGULAR CITY ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERIM COMMISSIONER TO FILL A VACANCY UNTIL THE NEXT AVAILABLE REGULAR CITY ELECTION; SPECIFYING QUALIFICATIONS OF AN INTERIM COMMISSIONER; AMENDING SECTION 84 OF THE CITY CHARTER TO PROVIDE FOR ALTERNATES ON THE CANVASSING BOARD; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The foregoing is the title of an ordinance read for the first time by title only. The Commission will hold the second reading and public hearing on August 16, 2021.

Palmer Davis reviewed the changes. The amendment would enable the Commission to appoint an interim commissioner until the next regular election. The longest term of an interim commissioner would be approximately 2 years. He explained the proposed amendment to allow canvassing board alternates.

The Commission discussed:

- The City held an election every two years so an interim commissioner would not serve more than two years.
- The Commission was trying to avoid special election expenses. This change was consistent with Florida statutes and how the State and County fill vacancies and the makeup of the canvassing board.
- The Commission cannot prohibit someone from serving as an interim and then deciding to run for that seat.
- The interim commissioner would have to live in the district if filling a vacancy in a commission seat designated by district.
- The Commission eliminated the certainty of the interim not running by removing the ability of a termed-out commissioner to serve as interim.
- The finances of a special election are certainly a reason to remove the special election. Turnout is usually lower too.

Resolutions

Resolution 5697; Proposed 21-053; 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. He advised the Commission to remove any properties owned by True Investors in keeping with the Equalization Board's action earlier in the meeting.

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

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

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

Resolution 5698; Proposed 21-054; Intention to Reimburse Costs Incurred for McIntosh Gas Turbine #2 (MGT2) Hot Gas Path Outage Work with Revenue Bonds

> A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND, FLORIDA TO INCUR COSTS RELATED TO THE REPLACEMENT OF HOT GAS PATH PARTS FOR THE GENERATION OF ELECTRICITY; EXPRESSING THE INTENT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH UNITED STATES TREASURY REGULATION SECTION 1.150-2 TO REIMBURSE WITH THE PROCEEDS OF REVENUE BONDS THE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES MADE WITH RESPECT TO SUCH PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR THE INTENT FOR THE FUTURE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF NOTES, BONDS OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING $5,000,000, WHICH SHALL BE APPLIED TO PAY THE COST OF SUCH PROJECT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Palmer Davis read the short title.

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

Miscellaneous Reports

Memo re: Legal Fee Report

Following are legal fees and expenses paid to outside law firms from April 2021 – June 2021 along with a comparison from the same time frame for 2020 and a comparison of this fiscal year to previous years.

Boswell & Dunlap LLD	LPD Representation	$48,907.50
Constangy, Brooks & Smith LLC	Counsel Relating to Union and Labor Matters- Arbitrations; Negotiations	$72,338.82
DiCesare Davidson & Barker P.A.	Miscellaneous Workers' Compensation Defense	$6,851.75
Gail Cheatwood, Esq.	Miscellaneous Municipal Ordinance Defense	$712.50
Gray Robinson	Eminent Domain (Federal and State Court), Litigation Matters – Robson 200 (CE), Christopher Allen, Southern War Cry, W. Cook,	$90,067.64

	North American Towers, Howard Mathis (RLC)	
Hopping Green & Sams	CCR/ELG Rules Applicability	$4,920.74
Oertel Fernandez Bryant & Atkinson PA	Water Supply Issues - PRWC, PRMRWSA, SWFMD Permit Extension.	$341,778.10
Peterson & Myers P.A.	Red Light Camera Appeals – Hearing Officer	$350
Sugarman & Susskind	Counsel Relating to Employee Pension Plan Matters – Pension Board	$9,717.50
Campbell, Trohn, Tamayo & Aranda	Personal Injury Defense-injuries on city property or auto accidents involving city vehicles	$19,168
Vecchio, Carrier & Feldman P.A.	Miscellaneous Workers Comp Defense	$38,871.34
Carlton Fields	457B Plan, General Benefits Advice	$3,610.50
Griffin Mediation LLC	North American Cell Tower v COL Mediation	$1,125
	Total	**$638,419.39**

APRIL - JUNE 2021 TOTAL	**$638,419.39**
APRIL - JUNE 2020 TOTAL	$420,116.41
FY 2016-2017 (Oct – June)	$906,926.29
FY 2017-2018 (Oct – June)	$921,626.82
FY 2018-2019 (Oct – June)	$1,214,248.73
FY 2019-2020 (Oct – June)	$909,581.13
FY 2020-2021 (Oct – June)	$1,331,148.54

The City is cost sharing the Segundo Fernandez fees with a private developer who was also facing a decrease in their water use permit. These types of fees are charged back to the related departments. Segundo Fernandez's would be charged back to Water Utilities. They come to the Commission through the City Attorney's Office, but they are charged to the appropriate department.

Action: The Commission took no action on this report.

Memo re: Interlocal Bulk Wastewater Service Agreement with Polk County for Wastewater Service within the Combeewood Area

Polk County Utilities currently operates a wastewater collection system and treatment plant serving the Combeewood area. This area is generally located west of S. Combee Road along Eastside Drive and includes Timberlane W., Oakleaf Drive and Timberlane E. The area primarily consists of multifamily residential units but does include a few detached single-family and commercial units. The City's wastewater service boundary surrounds but does not include the Combeewood area, although the City does currently own and operate the potable water system serving Combeewood.

Polk County Utilities is interested in decommissioning the wastewater treatment plant that serves this area and has proposed installing a pump station and force main to pump the wastewater from the area to the City's collection system for treatment at the Glendale Wastewater Treatment Plant. The existing wastewater collection system and the proposed pump station will remain under Polk County's ownership and responsibility, while the proposed force main will become the City's asset after construction. The City does have wastewater capacity to serve this area.

Per the proposed agreement, Polk County Utilities will be responsible for the procurement and cost of design, permitting and construction of all new facilities. A wastewater flow meter will be installed at the pump station and will be used by the City for billing purposes. Polk County will be responsible for the base monthly fees and volumetric charges based on the flow meter. In addition, Polk County will pay the City of Lakeland all applicable impact fees, which have been calculated based on current rates to total approximately $480,000.

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve the Interlocal Bulk Wastewater Service Agreement between Polk County and the City of Lakeland and that the appropriate City officials be authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

Palmer Davis presented this item to the Commission. The City did have capacity to provide this service.

Motion: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the interlocal agreement. 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:

- This was similar to the Skyview project, but Skyview was on a much bigger scale.
- The agreement allowed the City to bill the County for wholesale wastewater service. They will basically be treated as a large commercial user. The County will have to install a lift station and construct a force main.
- There were 208 residential units and 12 commercial units comprising the system.

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

FINANCE DIRECTOR

Increase in Estimated Revenues - Fleet Management Vehicle Replacement Fund

The City is requesting an appropriation for early replacement of nine Energy Delivery Operations, Substations, and System Control aerial trucks programmed for replacement in FY'22. As FY'22 begins 10/1/21, we deem it best to order them now to avoid the unexpected cost increases from this vendor planned for September. Also, we have been advised by the vendor that every week an order is postponed through October 1 adds 30-60 days to the delivery time. The trucks are presently at 700-day lead times for completion.

The costs associated with replacement of the vehicles are $1,953,817 if ordered prior to the end of August 2021. There is sufficient budget accumulated along with anticipated auction revenue for these vehicles in the Fleet Management Vehicle Replacement Fund.

Staff recommends the City Commission authorize an appropriation and increase in estimated revenue from the Unappropriated Surplus in the Fleet Management Vehicle Replacement Fund of $1,953,817 for the early replacement of nine aerial trucks for Energy Delivery Operations, Substations, and System Control.

Mike Brossart presented this item to the Commission. The fleet manager was notified there would be a slight increase in cost to replace these vehicles in November. Purchasing early will save money and improve delivery time.

Motion: Commissioner Mike Musick 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.

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

UTILITY

Mayor Bill Mutz announced for the record that the Utility Committee did not meet this month.

Ordinances - None
Resolutions – None

Miscellaneous

Memo re: Agreement with ABB Enterprise Software, Inc. for MGT2 Generator Breaker Overhaul

This proposed Agreement with ABB Enterprise Software, Inc. (ABB) was for McIntosh Gas Turbine #2's (MGT2's) generator breaker overhaul in the Fall of 2021. The MGT2, a used Siemens 501D5A gas turbine, was installed in June 2020.

The breaker, which is approximately thirty (30) years old, is original equipment and was installed prior to the City's purchase of the unit. When the unit was purchased and recommissioned by the City, the breaker was inspected, and preventive maintenance was performed prior to placing the breaker into service. During this inspection, the report from ABB, the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM), indicated the breaker was due for an overhaul and was low on gas likely due to the age of the seals. In addition to the age of the breaker and normal operation, indications of excessive heat which has degraded the insulating components of the breaker were apparent and are now in need of replacement.

The City's Purchasing Department has approved ABB, the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) of the breaker, as the sole source supplier for this work. Below is a summary of the work being performed by ABB as well as the corresponding cost.

Scope of Work	Cost
Overhaul Parts	\$108,972
Labor and Materials	\$69,307
TOTAL	\$178,279

Upon approval by the City Commission, ABB will be scheduled to complete the work during MGT2's Fall 2021 outage scheduled for November 19th to December 18th, 2021. The purchase will be governed by ABB's proposal QT20-01806973.D dated July 14, 2021 and proposal QT-21-00763813 dated July 14, 2021. The total cost of the work is \$178,279 and is included in Lakeland Electric's FY21 budget.

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve this Agreement with ABB for MGT2's generator breaker overhaul and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute all corresponding documents with ABB for completion of the work.

Assistant City Attorney Ramona Sirianni presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Sara McCarley moved to approve the recommendation. 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 and the motion carried unanimously.

Memo re: Agreement with ESC Spectrum Corp for a Continuous Emissions Monitoring System for Larsen Unit 8

This proposed Agreement with ESC Spectrum Corp (ESC) was for a new Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS) for Larsen Unit 8. Larsen Unit 8's CEMS is nearly thirty (30) years old and beyond its useful life. As such, the existing CEMS is experiencing multiple issues related to monitoring the combustion turbine emissions of

Unit 8, which impacts Lakeland Electric's ability to accurately ensure compliance with emissions standards. Once installed, the new CEMS will improve emissions monitoring.

On May 4, 2021, the City's Purchasing Department issued Invitation to Bid No. 1152 seeking qualified contractors for the purchase, installation and commissioning of a new CEMS shelter, analyzer and associated equipment. The City received responses from the three (3) vendors listed below.

Contractor	Location	Bid Price
ESC Spectrum Corp	Pensacola, FL	$178,853.00
C.E.M. Solutions, Inc.	Hernando, FL	$181,600.00
Cemtek Systems, Inc.	Ocean, NJ	$192,597.00

Upon evaluation by staff, ESC was selected as the most responsive, responsible bidder with the lowest price capable of providing the services in accordance with the City's Bid Specifications. Upon City Commission approval, ESC will commence work with anticipated delivery, installation and start-up of the new CEMS in early 2022.

In addition to the base Bid price, Lakeland Electric staff is also seeking to have ESC perform a blowback of the sample lines to remove possible debris in the lines that may impede the sample flow. This process adds $2,450 to the base Bid price. ESC will perform all services pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the City's Bid Specifications and ESC's submittal dated June 1, 2021. The total cost of the work is $181,303 and is included in Lakeland Electric's FY21 budget.

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve this Agreement with ESC 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 Stephanie Madden 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.

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

Memo re: Agreement with E² Power Systems, LLC for Purchase and Installation of Automatic Voltage Regulators and Excitation Electrical Equipment for Larsen Unit 8

This proposed Agreement with E² Power Systems, LLC (E²) was for the purchase and installation of two (2) Automatic Voltage Regulators (AVR) and Excitation Electrical Equipment for Larsen Unit 8.

The existing AVRs and excitation equipment are over thirty (30) years old and in need of replacement. A failure of either AVR would cause Unit 8 to be unavailable for service for a minimum of twelve (12) weeks. The City's Purchasing Department has approved E², the original equipment manufacturer, as the sole source supplier for this work. Pursuant to this Agreement, E² will provide the turnkey installation of two new (2) AVRs, which includes the removal of the old equipment, installation of new equipment, connection/interface with existing Generator control systems and necessary excitation electrical equipment. E²'s services will also include on-site commission tests by E² engineers. Below is a summary of the work and associated costs.

Scope of Work	Cost
Steam Turbine AVR	$ 61,992
Combustion Turbine AVR	$196,410
Steam Turbine Transformer	$ 27,025
Combustion Turbine Transformer	$ 34,270
Power System Stabilizers (2)	$ 15,526
TOTAL	$335,223

Upon approval by the City Commission, E² will be scheduled to complete the work on Larsen Unit 8 in March 2022. The purchase and installation of the equipment will be governed in accordance with terms and conditions contained in the Agreement with E² previously approved by the City Commission on September 16, 2019 and E²'s proposal dated July 19, 2021. The total cost of the work is $335,223 and is included in Lakeland Electric's FY21 budget and FY22 budget, subject to the City Commission's approval of the budget.

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve this Agreement with E² for the purchase and installation of AVRs and excitation electrical equipment for Larsen Unit 8 and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute all corresponding documents associated with the purchase and installation.

Ramona Sirianni presented this item to the Commission.

Motion: Commissioner Chad McLeod moved to approve the recommendation. 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.

Memo re: Task Authorization with TEAMWORKnet, Inc. for Hamilton Substation Phase 1 Engineering Services

This proposed Task Authorization with TEAMWORKnet, Inc. was to provide Civil/Site Design Engineering Services for Phase 1 of the Hamilton Substation located at the corner of Drane Field Road and Hamilton Road. Substation construction is scheduled to begin in Fiscal Year 2022. However, prior to construction, general design, geotechnical sampling and permit applications are required. Pursuant to the Task Authorization, TEAMWORKnet, Inc.'s services will include preparation and submission of initial permit applications; necessary surveys; environmental assessments; geotechnical services; and a bid set of site development plans upon completion of the Phase I engineering design services.

Upon approval by the City Commission, TEAMWORKnet, Inc. will commence services. Phase I of the project is anticipated to be completed by October 1st, 2021. 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 Electrical Engineering Services with TEAMWORKnet, Inc. approved by the City Commission on October 1, 2017 and TEAMWORKnet's proposal dated July 15, 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 services is estimated at $98,000 and is included in Lakeland Electric's FY2021 budget.

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve this Task Authorization with TEAMWORKnet, Inc. for Hamilton Substation Phase I Engineering Services and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute all corresponding documents related to the Task Authorization.

Ramona Sirianni presented this item to the Commission.

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

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

Commissioner Sara McCarley explained to the public that these expenditures have been planned for by LE. She thanked staff for their planning.

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

AUDIENCE

Alfredo Gomar Jr. came forward and congratulated those that were elected. Recognized Palmer Davis and Shawn Sherrouse for moving up. He talked about the need for assistance for those suffering from addiction. He announced that his mother died May 5, 2021.

A man came forward and spoke against the COVID vaccine. He cited the VAES website that reported COVID 19 vaccine adverse events. He cited the Lozier Institute report.

Mayor Bill Mutz responded that 94% of COVID patients at LRH are unvaccinated.

MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COMMISSION

Commissioner Mike Musick echoed Commissioner Sara McCarley's comments that the expenses are included in the budget and staff is doing their due diligence. He was looking forward to the week.

Commissioner Sara McCarley gave a couple of transit updates

1. The X Route started today and goes to Lake Wales
2. This is the last week of Summer of Safety which allowed young people to utilize the public transit system. Acknowledged Ashley Wright of New Beginnings for sponsoring this summer. These types of partnerships are invaluable for the Community. The public does not always see those partnerships.

Commissioner Phillip Walker explained the Summer of Safety began as a result of Lakeland's response to the gang challenge. It has been a positive addition to the Community.

Commissioner Stephanie Madden announced the passing of Cliff Wheeler and Todd Christian. Love your friends and family as none of us are promised tomorrow.

Commissioner Bill Read:

- Announced National Night Out which starts tomorrow morning at 7 a.m.
- Reminded everyone about the workshop at 1 p.m. on South Florida Avenue road diet.

Commissioner Chad McLeod:

- Excited for National Night Out. This was his first experience with the day.
- He thought the Commission did well as a team today without the Agenda Study Session on Friday.

Commissioner Phillip Walker:

- Thanked LPD for the Teen Peace Summit.
- Attended the FMEA Conference in Gainesville.

CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT – 10:55 a.m.

H. William Mutz

H. William Mutz, Mayor

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Kelly S. Koos, City Clerk