



CITY OF WINTER GARDEN

City Commission REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

July 27, 2023

REGULAR MEETING of the Winter Garden City Commission was called to order by Mayor Rees at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 300 West Plant Street, Winter Garden, Florida. An Opening Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were given.

Present:

Mayor John Rees
Commissioner District 1 - Lisa L. Bennett
Commissioner District 2 - Ron Mueller
Commissioner District 3 - Mark A. Maciel
Commissioner District 4 - Colin Sharman

Also Present:

City Manager Jon C. Williams
City Attorney A. Kurt Ardaman
City Clerk Angee Grimmage

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Commissioner Mueller to approve regular meeting minutes of July 13, 2023. Seconded by Commissioner Bennett and carried unanimously 4-0.

2. **SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

A. **Ordinance 23-14:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

City Attorney Kurt Ardaman read Ordinance 23-14 by title and an excerpt of the revenues and matching expenditures. Finance Director Laura Zielonka stated that this is the second hearing of Ordinance 23-14. She noted that Exhibit 1 has not changed since the first reading and expressed her availability for any questions. Staff recommends approval.

Mayor Rees opened the public hearing. Hearing none and seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Mueller to adopt Ordinance 23-14. Seconded by Commissioner Maciel and carried unanimously 4-0.

B. **Ordinance 23-17:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 18-92 ENTITLED "APPLICATION: PLANS" OF CHAPTER 18 – "BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS" OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REQUIRE PLANNING DEPARTMENT REVIEW AND APPROVAL FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ZONING REGULATIONS PRIOR TO SUBMITTAL OF A BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

City Attorney Kurt Ardaman read Ordinance 23-17 by title only. Planning Director Kelly Carson stated that this is the second reading of Ordinance 23-17. She noted that it is a City-initiated ordinance establishing a new planning pre-review process required prior to the submittal of the building permit. This review would be required for all permit applications that require a planning review, and would not be required if it is determined that a planning review is not needed. She noted that the purpose of this ordinance is to both streamline and add transparency to the review process. Staff recommends approval and adoption of Ordinance 23-17.

Mayor Rees opened the public hearing. Hearing none and seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Bennett to adopt Ordinance 23-17. Seconded by Commissioner Maciel and carried unanimously 4-0.

3. **REGULAR BUSINESS**

- A. Recommendation to approve SITE PLAN for 100 & 126 West Plant Street (South Boyd & Tremaine Office / Retail Building), subject to conditions

Mayor Rees informed that this item would be postponed.

4. **MATTERS FROM PUBLIC**

Derek Blakeslee, 230 N. Highland Avenue, Winter Garden, Florida, stated that he recently served on the Tourism Development Tax Citizen Advisory Board as the City of Winter Garden representative. He shared that Orange County is number one in the nation in tourist development tax collections and shared how these tourist related funds would be allocated.

There was discussion on the chances of Winter Garden receiving some of these funds, and Mr. Blakeslee explained how the Application Review Committee (ARC) works in this decision-making.

Commissioner Sharman arrived during this section of the meeting.

5. **MATTERS FROM CITY ATTORNEY** – There were no items.

6. **MATTERS FROM CITY MANAGER**

School Zone Speed Limit Enforcement

City Manager Jon C. Williams informed of new legislature granting counties and municipalities the ability to enforce speed limits in school zones utilizing camera technology. He informed of implementation of some newly purchased enforcement trailers to the speed zones in this effort. He noted that warning citations would be utilized in these efforts until the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) comes forth with permanent specifications for red light cameras. Furthermore, he spoke of funding in this year's budget

to address this issue. There was later discussion on this item regarding the allowed fines and tickets not issued until the 10 miles per hour (mph) over the limit.

Residential Overlay District Draft Ordinance

City Manager Jon C. Williams informed of the distribution of a draft ordinance for the residential overlay district. He noted that there were highlighted changes from a previous draft version.

7. MATTERS FROM MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Sharman thanked the City Commission for running an efficient meeting tonight.

Commissioner Mueller thanked staff for the newly implemented traffic-calming measures. Commissioner Mueller congratulated Annabelle Sikes on recently winning the Faith and Family Reporting journalistic award.

Commissioner Bennett thanked staff for the proposed overlay ordinance, acknowledged the time and effort that went into it, and also congratulated Annabelle Sikes.

Mayor Rees echoed congratulations to Annabelle Sikes.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

APPROVED:

 /S/
Mayor John Rees

ATTEST:

 /S/
City Clerk Angee Grimmage, CMC