



**MEETING MINUTES
SESSION OF THE CITY COMMISSION
CITY OF KISSIMMEE
CITY HALL, COMMISSION CHAMBERS
101 CHURCH STREET, KISSIMMEE, FLORIDA 34741-5054
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024 AT 6:00 PM**

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Members Present: Mayor Olga Gonzalez, Commissioners Olga Castano, Angela Eady, Janette Martinez

Staff Present: City Manager Mike Steigerwald, City Attorney Olga Sanchez de Fuentes, Deputy City Manager Desiree Matthews, Assistant City Manager Austin Blake, City Clerk Linda Hansell

Members Absent: Commissioner Carlos Alvarez

Mayor Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

After a Moment of Silence, Mayor Gonzalez led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

3.A Proclamation - Senior Resource Alliance

To present a proclamation to Karla Radka from Senior Resource Alliance in appreciation of their generous donation to the Kissimmee Police Department.

A short video of two (2) new canine (scent trained Bloodhounds) that have been donated to the City was played for the audience.

City Manager Steigerwald read a proclamation in honor of the Senior Resource Alliance as the Mayor and Commissioners presented the proclamation to Rosie Arroyo and commented the amount of the donation of \$15,000 for each canine.

Ms. Arroyo commented she was honored to be at the meeting and especially to be able to help those that need it and she hoped this was the beginning of having the ability to help seniors and the most needing in our community.

3.B Employee of the Month for September

That the Commission join the City Manager recognizing Magdalena "Maggie" Rivera of the Development Services Department as the Employee of the Month for September.

City Manager Steigerwald introduced Magdalena "Maggie" Rivera of the Development Services Department and reviewed the qualities and attributes which led to her nomination and selection as employee of the month. Maggie is a Permit Technician who has been with the City for two (2) years. She is recognized as being an outstanding team player, and is willing to help the citizens with kindness, care, and consideration. Maggie volunteers to train her co-workers, and she does a fantastic job for the City.

City Manager Steigerwald reminded everyone that the Employee of the Month is not selected by the Commission, City Manager, or department heads but by nominations that are reviewed and selected by a committee of their peers from all departments in the City and there is no greater honor.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS - FIRST AND SECOND READINGS

4.A Public Hearing - First Reading - Proposed Ordinance #24-12 Amending the City Investment Policy

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF KISSIMMEE, CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE VI, FINANCE, DIVISION 3, INVESTMENTS, PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE CITY'S INVESTMENT POLICY OF CITY FUNDS PURSUANT TO REQUIREMENTS OF FLORIDA STATUTE 218.415; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Approval of the First Reading of Proposed Ordinance #24-12 to amend the City's Investment Policy.

City Attorney Sanchez de Fuentes read Proposed Ordinance # 24-12 by title.

City Manager Steigerwald stated this is a request to update the City's investment policy and to reflect the City's addition of investment advisors and other changes that update the policy language to be consistent with State law. After holding the Public Hearing, staff recommended approval.

Mayor Gonzalez announced the Public Hearing with no response from the audience.

Commissioner Eady moved to approve the First Reading of Proposed Ordinance # 24-12. Commissioner Castano seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4 - 0.

4.B Public Hearing - First Reading - Proposed Ordinance #24-13 Amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8, Aviation, to implement an Airport Aircraft Landing Fee and Airspace Zoning

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF KISSIMMEE, CHAPTER 8, AVIATION, AMENDING ARTICLE III, AIRPORT REGULATIONS, ADOPTING A TRANSIENT AIRCRAFT LANDING FEE POLICY; RE-ADOPTING ARTICLE V, AIRSPACE ZONING; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Approval of the First Reading of Proposed Ordinance #24-13 to implement an Airport Aircraft Landing Fee and Airspace Zoning.

City Attorney Sanchez de Fuentes read Proposed Ordinance # 24-13 by title.

City Manager Steigerwald reviewed the request to reintroduce the Aviation section of the Code. First, the Aviation portion of the airspace zoning language was deleted in 2020 when the Code Book was republished; this was to be added back to the Code relating to limiting the height of developments in line with active runways. The second is the ability to assess an aircraft landing fee for transient aircraft (visitors) and it would not affect the aircraft that are based at Kissimmee Gateway Airport. After holding the Public Hearing, staff recommended approval.

Mayor Gonzalez announced the Public Hearing with no response from the audience.

Commissioner Martinez moved to approve the First Reading of Proposed Ordinance # 24-13. Commissioner Eady seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4 - 0.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

5.A Public Hearing - Adoption by Resolution of the Tentative Millage Levy and Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

Adoption by Resolution of the Tentative Millage Levy of 4.6253 mills and Tentative Budget of \$273,937,602 for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Mayor Gonzalez stated the Proposed Operating Millage is 4.6253 which is 5.40% more than the Rolled Back Rate of 4.3885.

City Attorney Sanchez de Fuentes read Resolution # 18-2024 by title.

Mayor Gonzalez called for public comment or questions.

Alex Alemi, 424 Lakeshore Boulevard, Kissimmee, 34741, commented on the City Budget. He was unable to attend the City Budget Workshop but provided comments and did receive a response from the City. He wanted to re-emphasize his comments again today. First, he is proud of the City for receiving the Triple Crown for Financial Standards from GFOA (Government Finance Officers Association) but he felt the standard of structurally balanced budgets is not being met. Mr. Alemi does not feel the current budget meets the requirements and more needs to be done with the budget. He used the example of the 166 miles of paved roads that need to be maintained and no set answer in the budget for how that is being funded according to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) cost to maintain roads.

Commissioner Castano made a motion to approve the Public Hearing and adopt the Tentative Millage Rate of 4.6253 by Resolution #18-2024. Commissioner Eady seconded the motion.

AYE: Mayor-Commissioner Olga Gonzalez, Commissioner Olga Castano, Commissioner Angela Eady, Commissioner Janette Martinez

NAY: None

Motion carried 4 - 0.

Mayor Gonzalez stated the Resolution will adopt a Tentative Budget of \$273,937,602 for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

City Attorney Sanchez de Fuentes read Resolution # 19-2024 by title.

Mayor Gonzalez announced the Public Hearing with no response from the audience.

Commissioner Castano made a motion to approve the Public Hearing and adopt Resolution #19-2024. Commissioner Angela Eady seconded the motion.

AYE: Mayor-Commissioner Olga Gonzalez, Commissioner Olga Castano, Commissioner Angela Eady, Commissioner Janette Martinez

NAY: None

Motion carried 4 - 0.

6. HEAR AUDIENCE

Rubin Louis Anderson Sr., 308 Lesesne Street, Kissimmee, thanked the staff and

Commission for their kindness while he was running for office. He does not want to be considered a sore loser, but the situation at the Civic Center polling location was a disaster and because of that, people chose not to vote. Mr. Anderson expressed his concern and disappointment with what transpired and commented that he was threatened, and people who heard or were told what was said did not come forward. He is committed to Kissimmee and plans to run again in two years.

Richard Tobard 1448 Liz Lane, Kissimmee, expressed concern with the amount of taxes on his property after filing for Homestead Exemption. His taxes were reduced from approximately \$4,600 to \$4,100 with the exemption. Mr. Tobard (?) stated he has lived in the area for 36 years and his tax dollars are wasted because crime is up and the roads are pitiful; Mill Run and Oak Run streets are full of potholes and every other man hole cover looks like a sinkhole.

The Mayor and staff provided information to Mr. Tobard that he can dispute his property value with the Value Adjustment Board, contact information should be on his tax bill, and he can also go to the Property Appraiser's Office for assistance.

7. **CONSENT AGENDA**

The consent agenda is a technique designed to expedite the handling of routine miscellaneous business of the City Commission. The City Commission in one motion may adopt the entire Consent Agenda. The motion for adoption is non-debatable and must receive unanimous approval. By request of any individual member, an item may be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Commissioner Castano made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety. Commissioner Eady seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4 - 0.

- 7.A Approval of City Commission Minutes from August 6, 2024, August 20, 2024, Commission Meetings, and August 8, 2024 and August 27, 2024, Special Meetings
Request Commission approval of the August 6, 2024, and August 20, 2024, Commission Meetings and August 8, 2024, and August 27, 2024, Special Meeting minutes.
- 7.B Reclassify funding from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Cyber Task Force as a Grant
Authorize the Chief of Police to execute the FDLE Orlando Cyber/ESST Financial Assistance Agreement (Grant CYBER23) with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), accept funding from FDLE in the amount of \$12,500, and amend the budget accordingly.
- 7.C Intergovernmental Transfer Agreement for Medicaid Managed Care Organization Payment Program
Approval of Budget Transfer in the amount of \$185,731.47 from Capital Outlay Reserve (00190700-509276) to Other Contract Services (00135103-503434) to cover the amount not budgeted for this payment. Additionally, approval of payment in the amount of \$685,731.47 in accordance with the contract.
- 7.D Task Order No. 4 for Professional Service Agreement with Avcon, Inc., for Airport Air Traffic Control Tower
Approval of Task Order No. 4 of the professional service agreement, Contract No. 20230139 between the City of Kissimmee and AVCON, Inc. that was executed on February 7, 2023, for Airport Air Traffic Control Tower and Site Work – Design and

Permitting, in the amount of \$1,449,563.00.

7.E Resolution electing to "opt-out" of providing the Live Local Act Property Tax Exemption pursuant to FL Statute 196.1978(3)(o)

Request the adoption of the Resolution allowing the City to "opt-out" of providing the Live Local Act Property Tax Exemption pursuant to FL Statute 196.1978(3)(o).

Resolution # 20-2024

7.F Approval of Consent for Investment Advisor Unification

Approval to Consent to PFMAM and USBAM consolidation for Investment Advisor services.

7.G Walmart Foundation Spark Good Local Grant Application

Staff requests approval to apply for the Walmart Foundation Spark Good Local Grant for \$2,419, which will be used to purchase 2,500 fire safety 2-in-1 educational activity books and 1,000 fire hats for children.

7.H Approval of staffing plan and budget classifications for the Haven on Vine program

Approval to reclass positions for the Haven on Vine Affordable Housing Program staffing

7.I Approval of Interagency Agreement between the Miami Beach Police Department and Kissimmee Police Department

The Police Department is requesting the Commission approve the Interagency Agreement between Miami Beach Police Department and the Kissimmee Police Department (Contract #20240501).

7.J Federal Aviation Administration Grant Offer for Taxiway Delta Improvements – Construction & Engineering

Approval to accept a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Grant for Rehabilitate, Mark, Light Taxiway Delta & RIMS – Construction & Engineering” at Kissimmee Gateway Airport. Grant Master No. TWYD Const.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.A Follow-Up on Commission Retirement Benefit Options

Staff requests Commission direction on which retirement benefits it would like to pursue.

City Manager Steigerwald explained the follow-up from the previous Commission discussion relating to the Commission becoming members of the a City Pension Plan. Staff is requesting a Commission discussion on the selection of Option "A" or Option "B".

Commissioner Eady requested this be tabled until after the salary analysis is received.

Commissioner Martinez asked her fellow Commissioners to consider the option of the 401 Plan which would allow them to take their contributions with them whether or not they fulfill the 8-year requirement for full pension benefits.

Consensus of the Commission to table to a future meeting; City Manager will bring back once the salary analysis is available.

8.B Advisory Board Vacancy: Parks and Recreation Board

The Commission is requested to make an appointment to fill a vacancy on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Commissioner Castano made a motion to appoint Amarilis Olivo Williams to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. Commissioner Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4 - 0.

9. HEAR CITY OFFICIALS

9.A CITY MANAGER

City Manager Steigerwald reminded the Commission of the following functions:

Saturday, September 7, 2024, Fandom will be at the Kissimmee Civic Center between 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 14, 2024, Airport Food Truck Event at the Kissimmee Gateway Airport, 401 Dyer Boulevard, between 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 17, 2024, prior to the Commission Meeting, will be the Hispanic History Month Reception and Celebration in City Hall

City Manager Steigerwald will be in Tampa attending the Planning Association Conference for the next couple of days, and he will be available by phone, text, or email.

9.B CITY ATTORNEY

9.C CITY COMMISSION

Commissioner Castano thanked everyone for the support she received during her time on the Commission; she will still be in the area after she leaves the Commission.

Commissioner Eady requested an update on the Engineer #15. Fire Chief Jim Walls updated the Commission and explained they are trying to hire fighters to fill the positions. Plan is to promote six (6) Firefighter/Paramedics into Engineer and Lieutenants positions and backfill positions. It has been difficult to hire Firefighter/Paramedics; at this point there is no estimated time of completion.

Commissioner Martinez addressed the comments of Rubin Anderson, not sure if it was directed to the entire Commission or someone specifically. She encouraged everyone to say something if they see something that should be addressed; all we can do is the best that we can for the people.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mayor Gonzalez adjourned the meeting at 6:35 PM.



ATTEST:

Tameara Crespo for
CITY CLERK

Olga Gonzalez

MAYOR-COMMISSIONER