



**TAVARES CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 6, 2022 – 4:00 PM  
TAVARES CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
201 EAST MAIN STREET, TAVARES**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Lori Pfister, Mayor  
Walter Price, Vice Mayor  
Amanda Boggus, Council Member  
Sandy Gamble, Council Member  
Troy Singer, Council Member**

**STAFF PRESENT**

**John Drury, City Administrator  
Lindsay Holt, City Attorney  
Jillian Roberts, Deputy City Clerk  
Scott Aldrich, Community Services Director  
Crissy Bublitz, Human Resources Director  
Phil Clark, Utilities Director  
James Dillon, Public Works Director  
Mike Fitzgerald, Community Development Director  
Lori Houghton, Finance Director  
Richard Keith, Fire Chief  
Stoney Lubins, Police Chief  
Mark O'Keefe, Public Communications Director  
Bob Tweedie, Economic Development Director**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Pfister called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. She asked those who wished to speak on an agenda item to complete and submit a Request to Speak form.

**II. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Tab 1. Pastor Brooks Braswell, Umatilla Baptist Church**

Pastor Brooks Braswell, Umatilla Baptist Church, provided the invocation and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Drury stated there was a request to defer Tab 10, Ordinance 2022-05 – Gorgeous Groves, Inc to the July 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Mayor Pfister asked Attorney Tara Tedrow to make formal request.

Tara Tedrow, Lowndes Law, 215 N Eola Dr, Orlando, Representing the Applicant, requested Tab 10 be moved to the July 20, 2022 City Council meeting to meet with the residence and noted that she has received emails with text amendments requests to the ordinance that will be presented and noted the traffic engineer not present due to personal reasons. She asked for a continuance.

Council Member Boggus noted she would like the traffic engineer present.

### **MOTION**

**Amanda Boggus moved to approve the agenda with moving Tab 10 to the July 20, 2022 meeting, seconded by Sandy Gamble.**

Vice-Mayor Price noted that the words to be changed from “may” to “shall” in the ordinance.

**The motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

### **IV. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

#### **Tab 2. Proclamation – Notice of Election**

Mayor Pfister read the Election Proclamation as follows:

#### **NOTICE OF ELECTION**

**The 2022 City of Tavares Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, at the Tavares Civic Center (Precinct 360), First United Methodist Church (Precinct 345), Lake County Agriculture Center (Precinct 365), Lake Frances Estates Clubhouse (Precinct 350), Imperial Terrace (Precinct 340), and Royal Harbor Social Hall (Precinct 370), for the purpose of electing three non-partisan Councilmembers to Seat 1, Seat 3, and Seat 5 to serve at large for the term 2022- 2024.**

**Voters must be registered with the Lake County Supervisor of Elections on or prior to October 11, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.**

**Nominations to Seat 1, Seat 3, and Seat 5 shall be by petition, signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified electors of the City of Tavares, and must name the individual and the specific Council seat sought. A candidate may qualify for only one seat. The petition, along with all other required election documents, must be filed with the City of Tavares City Clerk within the period beginning August 1, 2022, at 12:00 noon and ending August 15, 2022, at 12:00 noon. If August 15th should fall on a weekend day or holiday the deadline will be extended to the next business day at 12:00 noon. Election packets may be obtained from the City Clerk from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, Tavares City Hall, 201 E. Main Street, Tavares.**

Dated this 6th day of July 2022

V. **SWEARING IN BY CITY ATTORNEY AND DISCLOSURE OF EXPARTE COMMUNICATIONS**

Attorney Holt stated there are no quasi-judicial matters before the board.

VI. **READING OF ALL ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS INTO THE RECORD**

Ms. Roberts read the following Ordinances by title only:

**ORDINANCE 2022-06**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF TAVARES BY ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY 19.81 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF MT HOMER ROAD AND EAST BURLEIGH BOULEVARD; REZONING THE PROPERTY FROM COUNTY PLANNED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (CP) TO CITY RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY (RMF-3); SUBJECT TO THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND OBLIGATIONS ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TAVARES COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**ORDINANCE 2022-07**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAVARES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TAVARES COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE MAP 2040, PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE OF FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION ON APPROXIMATELY 19.81 ACRES OF PROPERTY FROM COUNTY URBAN LOW DENSITY TO CITY HIGH DENSITY (HD) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF MT HOMER ROAD AND EAST BURLEIGH BOULEVARD; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**ORDINANCE 2022-08**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF TAVARES BY ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY 03.13 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED WEST OF SR-19, SOUTH OF SLIM HAYWOOD AVENUE, NORTH OF CAMP ROAD; REZONING THE PROPERTY FROM COUNTY AGRICULTURE (A) TO CITY RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY (RMF-2); SUBJECT TO THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND OBLIGATIONS ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TAVARES COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**ORDINANCE 2022-09**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAVARES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TAVARES COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE MAP 2040, PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE OF FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION ON APPROXIMATELY 03.13 ACRES OF PROPERTY FROM COUNTY URBAN LOW DENSITY TO CITY MEDIUM DENSITY (MED) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED WEST**

OF SR-19, SOUTH OF SLIM HAYWOOD AVENUE, NORTH OF CAMP ROAD;  
PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE.

VII. **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Tab 3. Approval of the June 15, 2022, City Council Regular Meeting Minutes**

*Approved on the Consent Agenda.*

**Tab 4. Extension to the Interlocal Agreement with Lake County for the provision of Library Services**

*Approved on the Consent Agenda.*

**Tab 5. Vac Trick Trade-In**

*Approved on the Consent Agenda.*

VIII. **RESOLUTIONS**

*None.*

IX. **ORDINANCES – PUBLIC HEARING**

**First Reading**

**Tab 6. Ordinance 2022-06 - Nahas Property - Annexation & Rezoning of Approximately 19.81 Acres Located at the Northwest Corner of Mt Homer Rd. and East Burleigh Blvd.**

*No discussion at first reading*

**Tab 7. Ordinance 2022-07 - Nahas Property - Small Scale FLUM Amendment of Approximately 19.81 Acres Located at the Northwest Corner of Mt Homer Rd. and East Burleigh Blvd.**

*No discussion at first reading*

**Tab 8. Ordinance 2022-08 - Park Square Homes - Annexation & Rezoning of Approximately 03.13 Acres Located West of SR-19, South of Slim Haywood Ave., North of Camp Rd.**

*No discussion at first reading*

**Tab 9. Ordinance 2022-09 - Park Square Homes - Small Scale FLUM Amendment of Approximately 03.13 Acres Located West of SR-19, South of Slim Haywood Ave., North of Camp Rd.**

*No discussion at first reading*

## **Second Reading**

### **Tab 10. Ordinance 2022-05 – Gorgeous Groves, Inc. – Rezoning of Approximately 220 Acres Located West of the Intersection of Woodlea Rd. and Lane Park Rd.**

*Tabled to the July 20, 2022 meeting.*

## **X. GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

### **Tab 11. Award of Bid #2022-0012 to Sand Court Experts for Sand Volleyball Court & Lighting**

Mr. Tweedie gave the following presentation:

*On February 16, 2022, the City Council approved a project spending plan for the \$8,889,651 allocated Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. The plan identifies and allocates funding to specific, ARPA-eligible City projects in various areas throughout the City. Among these projects is the allocation of \$32,500 for the construction of a third sand volleyball court to enhance existing outdoor recreational facilities at Wooton West, as well as an allocation of \$75,000 to add lighting to this new court and the existing two courts to enhance public health and safety in this area. The courts and lighting projects were combined into one Request for Proposal (Bid # 2022-0012). The project was publicly solicited and advertised consistent with City and Federal procurement policies for 30 days from May 8'th, 2022, closing on June 9'th 2022.*

*One bid was received from Sand Court Experts Inc. of Eustis, FL for \$137, 869, which exceeds the total project budget combined allocation of \$107,500 by \$30,369 (\$137,869 bid - \$107,500 budget allocation).*

*The staff has worked with Sand Court Experts to value engineer the scope of the project down to a lower bid price of \$125,500 (see revised proposal attached) while preserving all of the significant elements of the project including:*

- *One (1) complete new sand volleyball court adjacent to and integrated with the two existing courts.*
  - *Concrete border*
  - *Decorative court wall for all 3 courts*
  - *Electrical and lighting installation for all three (3) courts.*

*This leaves a budget shortfall of \$18,000 in the currently available and council-approved ARPA Spend Plan budget for this item. However, in anticipation of projects coming over budget in this current construction market, the Council did budget \$787,812 in ARPA project reserves to cover issues like this.*

Council Member Gamble asked what type of lighting will be used.

Mr. Hendrick, Contractor stated they are using Dark Sky Technology and confirmed it is LED lighting.

Kirby Smith – 1570 Tamarac Trail, Tavares noted the positive economic impact Volleyball has and is in favor of the project.

Steve Bishop, Eustis, Executive Director and President of Florida Region of USA Volleyball and noted his support of the project, and gave a history of beach volleyball.

Council Member Gamble asked if have they have contacted high schools for involvement in high school beach volleyball. Mr. Bishop confirmed.

Mayor Pfister noted it is a great economic driver.

Walter Price asked adding a third court provides for events that are not otherwise possible. Mr. Bishop stated it will allow larger events to be held.

Hal Katz , Orlando, noted his support in the project and noted this is the best area and great economic driver. An additional court and lighting would be imperative.

Council Member Boggus asked where the concrete perimeter will be and if there will be any water retention issues. Mr. Hendrick stated the new court will be raised 6 inches and the sand will dune instead of going into the grass and noted there will be no water retention issues.

### **MOTION**

**Amanda Boggus moved to approve {Option 1}, seconded by Sandy Gamble.**

Council Member Singer asked when the project will start and end. Mr. Tweedie stated if the project is approved, a contract will be developed and the procurement process will begin.

Council Member Gamble asked if the other volleyball courts will be closed or open. Mr. Hendrick stated he will do his best to keep them open and approximately 5 weeks to open.

**The motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

### **Tab 12. Discussion of Downtown/Waterfront Entertainment District Events**

Mayor Pfister gave the following presentation:

*At the previous City Council meeting, under "New Business", the Mayor introduced an item of concern expressed by some City residents and business owners regarding the number and frequency of permitted special events taking place in the Downtown Waterfront Entertainment District. After some discussion on the matter, Council decided by consensus that the item should be agendaized and brought back for formal discussion and public comment at the next Council meeting. Attached are both the current City of Tavares Special Events Policy and the current 2022 calendar of events.*

#### **OPTIONS:**

*1. Move to limit the number of special events to the current number of approved events for the current year and direct staff to make the appropriate policy change to reflect this change.*

*2. Do not move to limit the number of special events to the current number of approved events for the current year and direct staff to make the appropriate policy change to reflect this change.*

Mr. Drury noted the City is up to 26 events in the entertainment district. Some of the events that are hosted are larger than others.

Council Member Boggus asked for clarification for size of events and types of events. Mr. Drury stated if the event has more than 300 people and located in the CRA downtown, it will require a permit. He noted this does not pertain to city events.

Mr. Tweedie defined an event as 300 people, amplified sound and/or closure of any public area such as park, right of way, parking lot, street closure.

Mayor Pfister noted the complaints that were received pertained to closing of streets and closing boat ramps.

Council Member Boggus asked if the policy as written would need to change. Mr. Drury stated the policy would require a limit on the number of permitted special events in the Downtown Entertainment District to a specific number.

Mayor Pfister noted there are people that love the events and dislike the events. She noted people utilize the downtown and parks and the majority of events take place on weekends.

Council Member Gamble noted some events do not take up a significant area.

Vice-Mayor Price noted he has received phone calls pertaining to road closures due to events. He suggested limiting events to 20 events per year and leave the calendar as it.

Council Member Singer noted he has difficulty limiting events when it is the entertainment district.

Council Member Gable noted his concern limiting events and taking business away from their investment.

Council Member Boggus noted her concern of limiting events and is in favor of not changing the city policy.

Attorney Holt suggested to not make special exceptions or exclusions pertaining to special events.

Kristie Fermin, 204 N Rockingham Ave, Tavares – noted she is a strong supporter of the Chamber of Commerce and noted there is an application and process.

### **MOTION**

**Amanda Boggus moved to approve [Option 2 – No Change to Policy], seconded by Troy Singer.**

Lou Buigas 110 E Ianthe St, Tavares – suggested to City Council they created the entertainment district and it is there to entertain and let the businesses reap the benefits.

Erica Buigas, Tavares, noted that events bring people and noted that events are vital.

Daniella Iavani 3688 Lake Elenore Drive, Mount Dora, noted her concern of limiting events.

**The motion passed 3-2.**

**The votes are as follows:**

**Yes:**

**Amanda Boggus**

**Troy Singer**

**Sandy Gamble**

**No:**

**Walter Price**

**Lori Pfister**

**Tab 13. School Resource Officer Agreement with Lake County School Board**

Lieutenant Sarah Coursey gave the following presentation:

*The Lake County School Board (LCSB) provides funding for a police officer to be at Tavares Elementary for security and safety during the school year. This will be the fifth year in which the LCSB and City have entered into this agreement. During the times when there is no school, SRO will be available for duties within the department.*

*OPTIONS:*

- 1. Approve the agreement between the City of Tavares and LCSB to provide a police officer at Tavares Elementary*
- 2. Do not approve the agreement*

Sandy Gamble noted his support and would look into having an officer in the middle school and high school.

**MOTION**

**Amanda Boggus moved to approve [Option 1], seconded by Sandy Gamble.**

Council Member Singer noted his support and would like to see the program continue.

**The motion passed unanimously 5-0.**

**Tab 14. Award of Design-Build Contract for ARPA Funded Air Quality Improvements to City Hall and Civic Center**

Mr. Dillon gave the following presentation:

*On February 16, 2022, the City of Tavares City Council Adopted Resolution 2022-02, which authorized the election of the Standard Option for funds awarded to the City of Tavares from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA). The Resolution provided a Spend Plan that included Air Quality improvements to City Hall and the Civic Center.*

*In response to the approval of the City of Tavares ARPA Spend Plan, A Request For Qualifications (RFQ) solicitation was issued and advertised on March 27th, 2022 for a Design Build contract for City Hall and Civic Center Air Quality Improvements.*

*RFQ's were received and opened on May 5th, 2022 with two professional design-build firms responding. The two responding firms and their respective proposals are depicted below:*

- *Air Mechanical & Service Corp. (AMSCO) 4311 W. Ida Street Tampa, FL 33614*
- *DCL Engineering 800 Highland Avenue, Suite 102 Orlando, FL 32803*

*On June 22, City Public Works Professionals, including the Public Works Director, Facilities Manager and Streets Supervisor staff evaluated the proposals based on the criteria of the Request For Qualifications (RFQ). The committee member's evaluation results recommend Air Mechanical & Service Corp. (AMSCO) be awarded the contract based on their successful government design-build experience.*

*If approved, staff will negotiate a contract to design and build the HVAC air quality improvement needed for these two public buildings within the budget allocated for these projects.*

**OPTIONS:**

*1. Council moves to award the Design-Build contract to AMSCO for the HVAC Design/Build and Construction improvements to City Hall and the Civic Center and authorize the City Administrator to execute all related contract documents within the allocated budgets for these projects.*

*2. The council does not award the contract.*

Mayor Pfister asked the type of engineers on the project. Mr. Dillon stated mechanical contractors and engineers.

Council Member Gamble asked for clarification on air quality. Mr. Dillon stated they will following CDC requirements for improving the air and increasing fresh air coming from outside into the building.

Mr. Drury added there are various issues and will be addressed by mechanical engineers

Council Member Boggus asked for asked if this project will increase efficiency of the system in both buildings and improve filtration systems. Mr. Dillon confirmed.

**MOTION**

**Amanda Boggus moved to approve, seconded by Sandy Gable. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

**XI. BUDGET WORKSHOP**

**Tab 15. Budget Workshop – General Fund Presentation**

Mr. Drury gave the following presentation:

*The City operates and oversees several enterprises including:*

- 1. General Government: Police, Fire, Emergency Management, Recreational Parks, Multiple Nature Parks, Two Sport Complexes, City-Wide Beautification America-In-Bloom Program, Public Library, Street Paving & Sidewalk Program, Street Lighting, Traffic Intersection Signalizations, Golf Cart street friendly Program, Street Addressing and City Gateway & Directional Signage Program, Street Corridor Landscaping Program, City Vehicle Fleet Maintenance Program, Public Works, Governmental Administration, Finance, Reporting, Contract Management, Budgeting & Procurement, Information Technology, Building Permitting, Building Inspections, Code Enforcement, City Planning Services, Public Records Retention, Public Meeting Minutes Notation and Recording, Human Resources Management, Employee benefits and Recruitment Program, Public Communications, City Council Meetings, City Meeting Live Streaming Productions, Website and Social Media Program, Historical Museum, Economic Development, Marina, Seaplane Base, Local Community Grant Program, Public Infrastructure Insurance and Risk Management, Workers Compensation, Auto and General Property Liability Program, Federal, State & County Grant Management Programs, Two (2) Sister City Programs, Debt Service Program, Pavilion on The Lake Special Events and Wedding Facility, Two Community Civic Centers, Senior Service Programming, adult and Youth Recreation Programs, Youth Summer Camp Program, Splash Park, Play Grounds and exercise stations, Volleyball courts, boat ramps, Community Parades, Fireworks and Special Events, Planning and Zoning etc.*
- 2. Utilities: Sewer Plant, Water Plant, Reclaimed Water Plant, water distribution system, sewer collection system, a reclaimed water distribution system and a utility bill collections department, and a fully certified NELAC Laboratory water quality and public health.*
- 3. Stormwater: A stormwater retention, detention, collection, maintenance system, right of way mowing and tree trimming maintenance department.*
- 4. Garbage & Recycling collection system: A residential garbage collection program, recycling program, and a commercial garbage collection program.*
- 5. Capital Program: A five (5) year capital program utilizing grants and other sources of funds to replace and build public infrastructure.*

*At this first budget workshop, the Finance Department will present the General Fund Proposed Budget (#1 above), and the remaining enterprises #2-#5 will be presented at the next budget workshop.*

*The City Council developed broad budget priorities for the City Administrator to use as guiding principles in developing next year's FY 23 proposed budget, which included lowering the tax rate and maintaining a similar level of service for all of the above referenced City Governmental services rendered (See attached list of budget goals – Exhibit A).*

*The City Administrator and Finance Budget Department have worked with Department Director's to develop budgets to achieve the Council's broad budget goals. To achieve these goals, in addition to developing a comprehensive budget, a comprehensive "FY*

2023 Cut List” list was prepared too (See attached City Administrator FY23 proposed cut list Exhibit B).

As in previous years, the cut list is organized into several categories:

1. “Reduction” means the item is still in the proposed FY 23 budget and the City Administrator has reduced the amount that was requested by the Department Director.
2. “Cut” means the City Administrator has removed the entire item from the budget.
3. “Similar” means the item was provided for in the prior year.
4. “Enhanced” means the item is a higher level of service than in the prior year.
5. “Personal Services” means a new position
6. “Operating Expenses” means general operating and maintenance expenses
7. “Capital Equipment” means operating and maintenance equipment over \$5,000 in value and more than a three-year life-span.
8. “Capital Projects”: Over \$5,000 in value and generally requires designing, engineering, bidding, construction or fabrication and project oversight during the procurement, construction and installation process.
9. “Debt Service” The annual cost of the repayment toward a loan for a capital item.

It is recommended that the Council review the Cut List closely. Items on the Cut List were identified by the City’s professional Department Directors as needed items to increase efficiency and productivity, but were cut by the City Administrator in order to balance the budget and meet the City Council’s goal of reducing the millage rate, and maintaining a similar level of service.

Highlights of the proposed FY 23 budget are:

1. A Similar Level of Service is achieved and presented as directed by Council. (Note: New and enhanced levels of service were not included – See Exhibit B cut “Enhanced” items)
2. The FY 23 budget is increased by 5.13% over the current year’s FY 22 Adopted Budget to maintain a similar level of service while keeping up with increases in cost including, health insurance (estimated at a 9% increase), property insurance (estimated at 10% increase), workers compensation (estimated at 10% increase), and general liability insurance (estimated at 10% increase).
3. The General Fund millage property tax rate is decreased.
4. The Debt Service millage property tax rate is decreased.
5. The Reserve appropriations is increased with a \$163,431 contribution in FY 23
6. The Fire Assessment is level funded (no rate increase).
7. Employee raises are established at the Council approved rate of 5.38% (The same amount approved for all state workers by the Governor, Florida Senate and House)

8. *The 9% Increased healthcare costs is shared by employee and employer.*
9. *City-wide street paving is established at \$430,000 having just appropriated in FY 22 an additional \$1,295,000 for street paving from ARPA funds.*
10. *The Christmas lighting program is level funded.*
11. *Expanded programs are cut except for: ballfield maintenance contract (\$100,000), LEAD partnership support (\$19,600), and electronic employee timekeeping software (\$20,000).*

*Proposed decreased property tax millage rate with a balanced budget. This proposed budget is balanced and reflects a property tax millage rate decrease which is lowered from 6.7579 mills down to 6.6950 mills and a proposed debt service rate decrease that is lowered from .2391 mills down to .2234 mills. At the proposed lower millage rates, homeowners with a house valued at \$150,000 and standard homestead exemption would pay \$691.84 per year or \$57.65 per month in City Ad Valorem Property Taxes for the budget that is before Council for FY 2023.*

*This first budget workshop is on July 6, 2022 to deliver, present and discuss the General Fund budget. The second budget workshop on July 20, 2022 is to deliver, present, and discuss the enterprise funds (Water, Wastewater, Reclamation, Stormwater, Solid Waste, Seaplane Base/Marina, Pavilion on the Lake) and discuss this General Fund Budget. A high-level overview of Special Revenue Fund budgets will also be presented.*

*The maximum tentative millage rate will be set at the second budget workshop on July 20, 2022, after the budget presentation is delivered. A fourth and fifth Council budget workshop is scheduled for August 3, 2022 and August 17, 2022 to discuss all budgets followed by two Public Hearings on the budget on September 7, 2022 and September 21, 2022. The Five (5) Year Capital Plan will be delivered, presented, and discussed at the August 3, 2022 budget workshop.*

*Current estimates are expected to change over the next couple of weeks for State Shared revenues, general liability insurance, and workers' compensation insurance. As new estimates become available, staff will update the budget, and provide a listing of updated estimates and the effect to the proposed budget to the City Council.*

*It is recommended the Finance Director present details of the General Fund budget to the Council, department by department.*

Ms. Houghton gave the following highlights:

Council Broad Budget Goals:

- Lower millage rate.
- Provide the same level of services.
- Fairly Compensate Employees.
- Continue and Finish Projects already in progress.
- Continue to pursue grants.

Ms. Houghton gave an overview of what property taxes goes towards as follows:

- Police - \$0.21 per Dollar; 10% Change
- Fire - \$0.16 per Dollar; 6% Change
- Finance and IT - \$0.12 per Dollar; 4% Change
- Park & Recreation - \$0.10 per Dollar; 17 % Change
- General Government - \$0.10 per Dollar; -0.32% Change
- Roads and ROW - \$0.07 per Dollar; 9.00% Change
- Community Development - \$0.05 per Dollar; 6.71% Change
- Building Maintenance - \$0.05 per Dollar; 16.01% Change
- Library - \$0.04 per Dollar; 8.03% Change
- Debt - \$0.04 per Dollar; -0.83% Change
- Fleet Maintenance – \$0.03 per Dollar; 3.19% Change
- Economic Development - \$0.01 per Dollar; -47.70% Change
- Public Communications - \$0.01 per Dollar; 18.76% Change

Vance Jochim, 12619 Milwaukee Ave, Lake County, noted his concern of metrics per department and inflation

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **XII. OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **XIII. AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD**

Audience to be Heard

Vance Jochim 12619 Milwaukee Ave., Lake County, stated it was a great July 4<sup>th</sup> parade and congratulated Lt. Sarah Coursey.

Lou Buigas 110 E Ianthe St, Tavares asked if the windows been addressed at civic center and noted a great 4<sup>th</sup> of July event.

Gary Santoro, Royal Harbor, congratulated Lt. Sarah Coursey and noted his concern of developments being developed on county roads.

### **XIV. REPORTS**

#### **Tab 16 City Administrator Report**

Mr. Tweedie congratulated Sarah Coursey on becoming the incoming Chief.

Mr. Dillon congratulated Sarah Coursey on becoming the incoming Chief.

Mr. Aldrich noted a new program at library and thanked staff for July 4<sup>th</sup> staff.

Ms. Houghton noted her department is working with staff on credit card payments at library and congratulated Sarah Coursey.

Attorney Holt noted she will be absent for the July 20, 2022 meeting and Attorney Williams will be present.

**Tab 17. City Council Member Reports**

Council Member Gamble congratulated Lt. Sarah Coursey.

Council Member Singer thanked staff for their hard work on the parade and fireworks. He congratulated Lt. Sarah Coursey on her promotion.

Council Member Boggus stated the staff did a great job on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and congratulated Lt. Sarah Coursey.

Vice-Mayor Price congratulated Lt. Sarah Coursey on becoming Chief. He noted he would like the parade to go down Ruby Street.

Mayor Pfister noted the low attendance at the parade and stated it could be brought back for discussion. She congratulated Lt. Sarah Coursey.

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

There was no further business and Mayor Pfister adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully,

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Jillian Roberts  
Deputy City Clerk