

City Council Meeting
10 N. Public Square
September 1, 2022
6:00 P.M. – Work Session
7:00 P.M. – Council Meeting

WORK SESSION

Mayor Matthew Santini opened Work Session at 6:03 P.M. Council Members discussed each item from the agenda with corresponding Staff Members.

Council Member Roth made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purposes of Litigation, Personnel, and Property. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 4-0

Mayor Santini closed Work Session at 6:55 P.M.

OPENING MEETING

Mayor Santini called the Council Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Invocation by Council Member Cooley.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Stepp.

The City Council met in Regular Session with Matthew Santini, Mayor presiding, and the following present: Jayce Stepp, Council Member Ward Two; Cary Roth, Council Member Ward Three; Calvin Cooley, Council Member Ward Four; Gary Fox, Council Member Ward Five; Taff Wren, Council Member Ward Six; Dan Porta, City Manager; Julia Drake, City Clerk; and David Archer, City Attorney.

Absent: Kari Hodge, Council Member Ward One

REGULAR AGENDA

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

1. August 18, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes

Council Member Fox made a motion to approve the August 18, 2022 Meeting Minutes. Council Member Roth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 5-0

PUBLIC HEARING – 1st Reading of Zoning/Annexation Request

2. Z22-02 Rezone 1.145 acres from R-15 to M-U

Applicant: Jenny Smith

Randy Mannino, Planning and Development Director, stated the applicant is looking to Rezone 1.145 acres from R-15 to M-U to allow an existing structure be used as an office rental space. Planning Commission recommended approval with conditions of the application, 6-0.

The conditions are:

- Land uses are limited to single family residential, office or retail.
- Future redevelopment of the site is limited to a single structure not to exceed the approximate area and height of the existing structure.
- The rezoning is conditioned to the proposed floor plan, scope of work and associated cost estimate for 7 Smith Rd. included with the zoning application.

Public hearing was opened. With no one to come forward to speak for or against the rezoning, the public hearing was closed.

This was a first reading and will be voted on at the September 15, 2022 City Council Meeting.



BID AWARD/PURCHASES

3. High Pressure Zone Improvements Engineering

Ed Mullinax, Water Department Assistant Director, stated the City water system high pressure zone consists of the 3 million gallon storage tank and booster pump station on Center Road, the obsolete booster pump station behind the Kohl's shopping center, and the piping system between East Main Street and Zena Drive, east of Joe Frank Harris Parkway.

The entire system is currently only a one-way feed from the Center Road pump station, with no looping or redundancy.

Under a separate design and construction contract, we are in the process of upgrading the Kohl's pump station to improve redundancy and reliability.

This project is needed to increase system reliability, improve water quality, and increase supply capacity to this rapidly growing demand portion of the system; which includes a major purchase point for the Bartow County Water System.

The project will add 3,150 feet of 16-inch water line, 2,150 feet of 12-inch and 8-inch water line and valves, and connect numerous dead-end lines. This will create a completely looped system with multiple feed points.

Prime Engineering Inc. has submitted a proposal of \$283,350.00 for design, bidding, and construction management of this project. This is a budgeted project to be paid from account #505.3320.54.3408, Water Capacity Fees, and was recommended for approval.

Council Member Fox made a motion to approve the High Pressure Zone Improvements Engineering. Council Member Roth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 5-0

Council Member Roth made a motion to add four (4) items to the agenda. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 5-0

4. Office 365 Upgrade

Steven Grier, FiberCom Director, stated the FiberCom Department requests the purchase of an upgrade to our current Microsoft Office 365 licenses for all city end users. This license upgrade includes several security products that will save operating expenses for cyber security future budgets. The total amount is \$43,232.10 from CDWG. This is not a budgeted item, but funds are available, and was recommended for approval.

Council Member Cooley made a motion to approve the Office 365 Upgrade. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 5-0

5. Stormwater Acquisition/Relocation Services Fee Proposal

Dan Porta, City Manager, stated our civil consultants need to move forward with the stormwater design improvements for one of our stormwater projects. Property acquisition and relocation services will be needed to complete the design. THC has provided a proposal to perform the needed services for acquisition of property and relocation services for one of these projects. THC proposes to provide their services for \$23,600.

Council Member Fox made a motion to approve the Stormwater Acquisition/Relocation Services Fee Proposal. Council Member Roth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 5-0

ADDED ITEMS

6. Natural Gas Main Extension

Michael Dickson, Gas Department Director, stated that during the construction of this project, solid rock was encountered and was excavated in a quantity exceeding the estimated quantity of the contract bid. Our contractor excavated solid rock in the amount of 145 cubic yards, which exceeded the estimated contract amount of 95 cubic yards at a unit price of

\$175.00 for a total cost of \$16,625.00. Since no temporary grassing was used for this project at a total price bid of \$3,000.00, the completed project cost totals \$207,725.00.

It was requested for Council to approval the additional \$13,625.00 above and beyond the original price bid for the completion of this project.

Council Member Fox made a motion to approve the Natural Gas Main Extension. Council Member Roth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 5-0

7. 640 N. Tennessee St – Commercial Lease Agreement

Mr. Porta stated this lease agreement with TAM Properties is to expire on October 1, 2022. This agreement will extend the lease to January 31, 2023.

Council Member Fox made a motion to approve the Commercial Lease Agreement Extension. Council Member Roth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 5-0

8. Airport Grant

Freddy Morgan, Assistant City Manager, stated the request is to approve the filing of an Airport Grant. This will be a Bartow County match.

Council Member Roth made a motion to approve the Airport Grant. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 5-0

9. Settlement Agreement

David Archer, City Attorney, stated a settlement had been reached with a previous employee of the City, April Tolbert. It was recommended for approval by Mayor and Council.


Council Member Stepp made a motion to approve the Settlement Agreement. Council Member Fox seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Vote: 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to discuss, Council Member Stepp made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

/s/ 
Matthew J. Santini
Mayor

ATTEST: 
/s/ _____
Julia Drake
City Clerk

