
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

CITY OF LAKE CITY

April 07, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Venue: City Hall

AGENDA

SECOND REVISION

Revised 4/4/2025: Item #9 note verbiage updated and supporting documentation added; Item #14 supporting documentation added

Second Revision 4/7/2025: Item #9 Resolution and supporting documentation added

This meeting will be held in the City Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall located at 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, FL 32055. Members of the public may also view the meeting on our YouTube channel. YouTube channel information is located at the end of this agenda.

Events Prior to Meeting - 5:30 PM Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation - Mayor Noah Walker

Roll Call

Ladies and Gentlemen; The Lake City Council has opened its public meeting. Since 1968, the City Code has prohibited any person from making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks or becoming boisterous while addressing the City Council. Yelling or making audible comments from the audience constitutes boisterous conduct. Such conduct will not be tolerated. There is only one approved manner of addressing the City Council. That is, to be recognized and then speak from the podium.

As a reminder, persons are not to openly carry a handgun or carry a concealed weapon or firearm while the governing body is meeting.

Failure to abide by the rules of decorum will result in removal from the meeting.

Approval of Agenda

Proclamations

1. Hilda Albritton Retirement
2. Water Conservation Month - April 2025

Public Participation - Persons Wishing to Address Council

Citizens are encouraged to participate in City of Lake City meetings. The City of Lake City encourages civility in public discourse and requests that speakers direct their comments to the Chair. Those attendees wishing to share a document and or comments in writing for inclusion into the public record must email the item to submissions@lcfia.com no later than noon on the day of the meeting. Citizens may also provide input to individual council members via office visits, phone calls, letters and e-mail that will become public record.

Approval of Consent Agenda

3. Minutes - February 18, 2025 Regular Session
4. Minutes - March 17, 2025 Regular Session
5. City Council Resolution No. 2025-030 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, appointing Lisa Morris as a Resident Trustee to the Board of Trustees of the City's Municipal Firefighters Pension Trust Fund pursuant to Section 175.061, Florida Statutes and Section 70-123, City of Lake City Code of Ordinances; directing the City Clerk to reflect said appointment and expiration of term in such records of the City as are necessary and prudent; making certain findings of fact in support of the City Clerk reflecting such appointment and expiration of term in the records of the City; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
6. City Council Resolution No. 2025-040 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida approving an amendment to that certain agreement between the City and Toco Engineering, LLC., a Florida limited liability company, consenting to the assignment of said agreement by Toco Engineering, LLC. to Baxter & Woodman, Inc.; making certain findings of fact in support of the approving said amendment; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
7. City Council Resolution No. 2025-045 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain agreement for State Highway Lighting, Maintenance, and Compensation for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 with the State of Florida Department of Transportation; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said agreement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.

Presentations

8. Katie Hall, General Manager and CEO, Florida Gas Utility - Directive Confirmation and Addendum related to prepaid deal

Old BusinessOther Items

9. Discussion and Possible Action - Lake Shore Hospital Authority/Meridian Behavioral Healthcare Land Use Matter (Resolution of Pending Land Use Issue) (Attorney Clay Martin)

Note: This matter is still actively being negotiated and supporting documentation may be updated as soon as it is available.

City Council Resolution No. 2025-058 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida approving that certain resolution of Chapter 164, Conflict Resolution between Lake Shore Hospital Authority and the City of Lake City, Florida; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said agreement; directing the City Manager to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.

New BusinessOrdinances

10. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2302 (first reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending the Code of the City of Lake City, Florida, Chapter 70, Article IV, Police Officers' Pension Plan and Trust Fund; amending Section 70-96.1 to provide for payment of supplemental benefits to those receiving service incurred disability benefits and the continuation of supplemental benefits to joint annuitants prospectively; providing for severability; providing for conflicts; providing for codification; and providing for an effective date.

Adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2302 on first reading

11. City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2304 (first reading) - An ordinance pertaining to land development regulation fees within the City of Lake City; repealing said existing land use regulation fees established by Resolution 2019-099; establishing updated fees for land development regulation processing and review; establishing provisions regarding payment of said fees; establishing exceptions thereto for financial hardship; repealing all resolutions and ordinances in conflict; making findings of fact in support thereof; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.

Adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2025-2304 on first reading

Resolutions

12. City Council Resolution No. 2025-006 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain agreement between the City and the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Petroleum Cleanup Participation Program Funding; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said agreement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
13. City Council Resolution No. 2025-039 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida accepting funds awarded by the Edward Byrne Memorial Grant Program to purchase portable vehicle barriers; adopting the grant award agreement associated with accepting such grant funds; making certain findings of fact in support of the City accepting such funds and adopting said grant award agreement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing and effective date.
14. City Council Resolution No. 2025-042 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, pursuant to Section 196.1978(3)(o), Florida Statutes, electing to not exempt property under Section 196.1978(3)(d)1.a, Florida Statutes, commonly known as the "Live Local Act Property Tax Exemption"; providing findings of fact in support thereof; providing direction to the City Clerk; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
15. City Council Resolution No. 2025-047 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, amending that certain agreement between the City and Looks Great Services of MS, Inc., a Mississippi Corporation, for annual tree removal, stump grinding, and mulching; making certain findings of fact in support of the City amending said agreement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; directing the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
16. City Council Resolution No. 2025-048 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain directive by and between the City of Lake City and Florida Gas Utility for a participation in that certain gas pre-pay transaction initiated by the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia; making certain findings of fact in support of the City of Lake City entering into said directive; recognizing the authority of the Mayor of the City of Lake City to execute such directive; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.

17. City Council Resolution No. 2025-049 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, approving that certain agreement between the City and Alfred Benesch & Company, an Illinois Corporation, D/B/A "Benesch" for consulting services to assist the City with a Lake City Fire Rescue Assessment Study for Fiscal Year 2025-26 at a cost not to exceed \$47,848; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said agreement; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to said agreement; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
18. City Council Resolution No. 2025-051 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, appointing Scott Thomason as the Land Development Regulation Administrator; making findings of fact in support thereof; directing the City Clerk to reflect said appointment in such records of the City as are necessary and prudent; making certain findings of fact in support of the City Clerk reflecting such appointment in the records of the City; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
19. City Council Resolution No. 2025-052 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing Task Orders One (1) and Two (2) pursuant to the City Council's Conditional Approval of the Legal Services Contract with Saxon Gilmore & Carraway, P.A, a Florida Corporation, to provide certain legal services in furtherance of the establishment of a Housing Authority for the City of Lake City; providing for and adopting fee limitations in the amounts of \$3,000.00 and \$5,500.00, respectively, for each of the two Task Orders, plus costs; making certain findings of fact in support of the City approving said Task Orders; recognizing the authority of the Mayor to execute and bind the City to such documents as are necessary and prudent to give effect to the provisions of this resolution; authorizing the City Manager with the consent of the City Attorney to make minor changes to the scope of work of the Task Orders provided such changes do not increase the quoted price in a Task Order; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing an effective date.
20. City Council Resolution No. 2025-053 - A resolution of the City of Lake City, Florida, ratifying, approving, and adopting the budget amendment proposed by the Lake City Community Redevelopment Agency by its adoption of CRA Resolution 2025-01; amending the City budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024 and continuing through September 30, 2025 by appropriating an amount not to exceed one hundred sixty six thousand and no/100 dollars (\$166,000.00) for preparation and development of a new CRA Redevelopment Plan and Findings of Necessity to expand the CRA Boundary; making certain findings of fact in support of the City amending said budget; repealing all prior resolutions in conflict; and providing for an effective date.

Note: This item was presented for consideration at the CRA Meeting held prior to this meeting.

Other Items

21. Discussion and Possible Action - City Attorney Contract and City Attorney Employment (City Manager Don Rosenthal)

Departmental Administration - None

Comments by Charter Officers

City Manager Don Rosenthal

City Attorney Clay Martin

City Clerk Audrey Sikes

Comments by Council Members

Council Member Chevella Young

Council Member Ricky Jernigan

Council Member James Carter

Council Member Tammy Harris

Mayor Noah Walker

Adjournment

YouTube Information

Members of the public may also view the meeting on our YouTube channel at:
<https://www.youtube.com/c/CityofLakeCity>

Pursuant to 286.0105, Florida Statutes, *the City hereby advises the public if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City with respect to any matter considered at its meetings or hearings, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.*

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: *Pursuant to 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons needing special accommodations to participate in these meetings should contact the **City Manager's Office at (386) 719-5768.***