



Special City Commission Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2024
7:00 PM

25440 West Newberry Road
Newberry, Florida 32669

QUORUM CHECK

Mayor	Jordan Marlowe
Commissioners	Mark Clark Rick Coleman Monty Farnsworth Tim Marden Tony Mazon
City Manager	Mike New
City Clerk	Judy Rice
City Attorney	Scott Walker
Staff:	
Assistant City Manager/CFO	Dallas Lee
Director of Community Development	Stacey Hectus
Senior Planner	Uma Sarmistha
Executive Assistant	Randa Paul

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marlowe called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to Approve the Agenda as published was made by Commissioner Marden, Seconded by Commissioner Clark.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. There was none.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Marden, Commissioner Mazon

MOTION PASSED 5-0

INVOCATION

Tim Marden provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Clark led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Mazon, Seconded by Commissioner Marden.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Marden, Commissioner Mazon

MOTION PASSED 5-0

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PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

2. Comprehensive Plan Amendment

Legislative Public Hearing, 1st Reading: Ordinance 2024-09, an ordinance amending the City of Newberry Comprehensive Plan Elements : Future Land Use (FLU); Transportation (TRAN); Housing (HOUS); Conservation (CON); Park and Recreation Element (ROS); Economic Development (ED); Intergovernmental Coordination Element (IGC).

Attorney Walker read Ordinance 2024-09 by title only.

Stacey Hectus, Director of Community Development, and Gerry Dedenbach, AICP, LEED AP; CHW, an NV5 company, presented the item with a PowerPoint.

Discussion ensued.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2024-09 on first reading was made by Commissioner Mazon, Seconded by Commissioner Clark.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment. Paul Hornby spoke.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Marden, Commissioner Mazon

MOTION PASSED 5-0

AGENDA ITEMS

3. Letter of Financial Support for the Newberry Charter School Application

Derek Danne, Chair, Newberry Community School, Inc., presented the item.

Motion to Authorize the Mayor to transmit letter of Financial Support for the Newberry Charter School was made by Commissioner Mazon, Seconded by Commissioner Marden.

Mike New presented a PowerPoint slide.

Mayor Marlowe stated the manager of the Charter School Application, Caroline Anderson, The Osmanthus Group, plus school attorneys Shawn Arnold and Braxton Padgett, Arnold Law Firm were present to answer questions.

Mayor Marlowe asked for public comment.

Brandy Oldman spoke and provided a letter to Attorney Walker. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Travis Adair, Matt McLane, Katherine Weitz, Jessica Carey, Meredith Panaghi, Jamie Wilson, and Rosa Campbell also spoke.

**Voting Yea: Commissioner Clark, Commissioner Coleman,
Commissioner Farnsworth, Commissioner Marden,
Commissioner Mazon**

MOTION PASSED 5-0

COMMENTS

Naim Erched and Brandy Oldman spoke.

City Manager New, City Attorney Walker, Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Mazon, and Mayor Marlowe made comments.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Signed and approved on this 25th day of November 2024.

Jordan Marlowe, Mayor

Judy S. Rice, City Clerk

Attachments (1): Letter from Brandy Oldman to Derek Danne, Chair, Newberry Community School, Inc.

Newberry
Community
School Board,
Inc.

Derek Danne, Director
Newberry Community School, Inc.
25440 W. Newberry Road
Newberry, FL 32669

Cc: City of Newberry Commissioners and Mayor
25440 W. Newberry Road
Newberry, FL 32669

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RE: Letter of Financial Commitment for Newberry Community School Initiative

Dear Mr. Danne,

Newberry Community School Board, Inc. is aware of the letter dated November 18, 2024 addressed to the "Members of the Newberry Community School Board" which expresses the city's financial support in the amount of \$2.2 million for the establishment of the Newberry Community School.

On behalf of Newberry Community School Board, Inc., I would like to formally request that Newberry Community School, Inc. stop using the name Newberry Community School Board, Inc. as you do not have rights to use this name. Please ensure that all future communications and agreements with the city use the correct name of your entity which is "Newberry Community School, Inc."

Sincerely,



Brandy Oldman, Treasurer
Newberry Community School Board, Inc.
25718 NW 4th Ave
Newberry, FL 32669