

# CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

Meeting Streamed By YouTube - LIMITED CAPACITY Friday, March 25, 2022

# AGENDA

- A. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. TOPIC
  - **1.** RESOLUTION 2022 <u>05(a)</u> A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE III, SECTION 3.03 ENTITLED REMOVAL OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO PROVIDE REASONS FOR THE INTENDED REMOVAL OF THE CITY MANAGER AND OFFER THE CHARTER OFFICER CITY MANAGER AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON THE MATTERS RAISED BY THE RESOLUTION.
  - 2. RESOLUTION 2022-<u>06</u> A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING SIGNATORIES FOR VARIOUS BANK ACCOUNTS OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE AT PNC BANK, N.A.; FURTHER AUTHORING CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS WITH PNC BANK, N.A.; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
  - 3. RESOLUTION 2022 07 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING AN INTERIM CITY MANAGER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
  - **4.** RESOLUTION 2022 08 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING AN INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- D. DISCUSSION, COMMENTS, CONCERNS
- E. ADJOURN

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#### **RESOLUTION 2022** - <u>05(a)</u>

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE III, SECTION 3.03 ENTITLED REMOVAL OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO PROVIDE REASONS FOR THE INTENDED REMOVAL OF THE CITY MANAGER AND OFFER THE CHARTER OFFICER CITY MANAGER AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON THE MATTERS RAISED BY THE RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 3.03 "Removal" of the City of Pahokee Code of Ordinances provides that in order to: "To remove a Charter officer, the city commission shall adopt a preliminary resolution stating reasons for the intended removal and shall offer the Charter officer an opportunity for public hearing before the commission on the matters raised by the resolution. This preliminary resolution may also suspend the Charter officer from duty immediately with pay. The Charter officer must accept the offer of public hearing or file a written response within ten (10) days of the adoption of the preliminary resolution or the resolution becomes final at the expiration of this ten-day period and the Charter officer is terminated on that date. If the public hearing is requested it shall be held not earlier than twenty (20) days or later than thirty (30) days after the adoption of the preliminary resolution. After such public hearing, or after consideration of any written response, the commission shall adopt a final resolution of removal or let the preliminary resolution lapse."

**WHEREAS**, at the March 18, 2022 Special Meeting and the March 22, 2022 Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the City of Pahokee City Commission, the Commission voted to terminate the City Manager with cause. The reasons for the intended removal are: insubordination, lack of information provided concerning the City Manager's accident in a city vehicle and lack of City application or resume.

**WHEREAS**, at the March 25, 2022 Special Meeting of the City of Pahokee City Commission, the Commission voted to suspend the City Manager from duty immediately with pay.

**WHEREAS**, upon adoption of this resolution, the procedure in Article III, Section 3.03 "Removal" of the City of Pahokee Code of Ordinances will commence.

**WHEREAS**, under Article III, Section 3.03 "Removal" of the City of Pahokee Code of Ordinances, the Charter Officer of City Manager will then have an opportunity for public hearing before the commission on the matters raised in this resolution.

**WHEREAS**, the Charter Officer of City Manager must accept the offer of public hearing or file a written response within ten (10) days of the adoption of the preliminary resolution or the resolution becomes final at the expiration of this ten-day period and the Charter officer is

terminated on that date. If the public hearing is requested it shall be held not earlier than twenty (20) days or later than thirty (30) days after the adoption of the preliminary resolution.

**WHEREAS**, after such public hearing, or after consideration of any written response, the commission shall adopt a final resolution of removal or let the preliminary resolution lapse.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Action</u>. The City Commission has voted to terminate the manager, Greg Thompson, with cause with the following reasons for the intended removal: insubordination, lack of information provided concerning the City Manager's accident in a city vehicle and lack of City application or resume. The City Commission has voted to immediately suspend the City Manager from duty with pay.

<u>Section 2</u>. <u>Notice</u>. This resolution will serve as the preliminary resolution required for a Charter Officer under Article III, Section 3.03 "Removal" of the City of Pahokee Code of Ordinances.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Adoption</u>. Upon adoption of this resolution, the procedure in Article III, Section 3.03 "Removal" of the City of Pahokee Code of Ordinances will commence. Under Article III, Section 3.03 "Removal" of the City of Pahokee Code of Ordinances, the Charter Officer of City Manager will then have an opportunity for public hearing before the commission on the matters raised in this resolution. The Charter Officer of City Manager must accept the offer of public hearing or file a written response within ten (10) days of the adoption of the preliminary resolution or the resolution becomes final at the expiration of this ten-day period and the Charter officer is terminated on that date. If the public hearing is requested it shall be held not earlier than twenty (20) days or later than thirty (30) days after the adoption of the preliminary resolution. After such public hearing, or after consideration of any written response, the commission shall adopt a final resolution of removal or let the preliminary resolution lapse.

Section 4. <u>Preliminary Resolution</u>. This resolution will serve as the preliminary resolution as required by Article III, Section 3.03 "Removal" of the City of Pahokee Code of Ordinances.

<u>Section 5.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> That this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

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## ATTESTED:

Tijauna Warner, City Clerk

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

### APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

City Attorney

Mayor Babb\_\_\_\_\_Commissioner Boldin\_\_\_\_\_Commissioner Gonzalez\_\_\_\_\_Commissioner Murvin\_\_\_\_\_Commissioner Perez\_\_\_\_\_

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-06**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING SIGNATORIES FOR VARIOUS BANK ACCOUNTS OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE AT PNC BANK, N.A.; FURTHER AUTHORING CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS WITH PNC BANK, N.A.; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Pahokee ("City") recognizes PNC Bank, N.A. as its financial institution; and

**WHEREAS**, authorized signatories on the City's bank accounts need to be updated to include only the Mayor and the City Clerk, as primary signatories; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee ("City Commission") desires to approve signatories to the City's bank accounts and further authorizes the execution of all necessary documents for the City's banking accounts at PNC Bank, N.A.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

- **SECTION 1**. <u>Adoption of Representations.</u> The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.
- **SECTION 2**. <u>Authorization and Approval.</u> The City Commission of the City of Pahokee hereby authorizes and approves the Mayor, Keith W. Babb, Jr., and the City Clerk, Tijauna Warner, both of them, as primary signatories to the City's bank accounts.
- **SECTION 3**. Signatories to City Bank Accounts. The following City officials are hereby designated as the only authorized signatories to the City's bank accounts:

Mayor, Keith W. Babb, Jr.

City Clerk, Tijauna Warner

**<u>SECTION 4.</u>** Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and adoption.

## ATTESTED:

Tijauna Warner, City Clerk

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

By: \_\_\_

City Attorney

Mayor Babb\_\_\_\_\_Commissioner Boldin\_\_\_\_\_Commissioner Gonzalez\_\_\_\_\_Commissioner Murvin\_\_\_\_\_Commissioner Perez\_\_\_\_\_

#### RESOLUTION 2022- <u>07</u>

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING AN INTERIM CITY MANAGER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Pahokee ("City") is in need of an Interim City Manager to perform City Management duties on a day-to-day basis while a selection process is being conducted for a permanent City Manager; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee ("City Commission") desires to appoint an Interim City Manager to perform the duties of a City Manager as set forth in the applicable City Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission specifically desires to appoint as the Interim City Manager for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days.

# NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** <u>Adoption of Representations.</u> The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.
- <u>Section 2.</u> <u>Authorization and Approval of Interim City Manager.</u> The City Commission of the City of Pahokee hereby authorizes and approves \_\_\_\_\_\_, as the Interim City Manager for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days.
- **Section 3.** <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

**PASSED** and **ADOPTED** this <u>25th</u> day of March 2022.

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Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

### ATTEST:

Tijauna Warner, City Clerk APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

Gemma Torcivia Acting City Attorney

Moved by:

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

#### VOTE:

Commissioner Boldin	(Yes)	(No)
Commissioner Gonzalez	(Yes)	(No)
Commissioner Murvin	(Yes)	(No)
Commissioner Perez	(Yes)	(No)
Mayor Babb	(Yes)	(No)

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-** <u>08</u>

### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING AN INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Pahokee ("City") is in need of an Interim City Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee ("City Commission") desires to appoint an Interim City Attorney to perform the duties of a City Attorney as set forth in the applicable City Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Commission specifically desires to appoint as the Interim City Attorney.

# NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** <u>Adoption of Representations.</u> The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.
- Section 2. Authorization and Approval of Interim City Manager. The City Commission of the City of Pahokee hereby authorizes and approves \_\_\_\_\_\_, as the Interim City Attorney.
- **Section 3.** <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED this <u>25th</u> day of March 2022.

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Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

#### ATTEST:

Tijauna Warner, City Clerk APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

Gemma Torcivia Acting City Attorney

Moved by:

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

### VOTE:

Commissioner Boldin	(Yes)	(No)
Commissioner Gonzalez	(Yes)	(No)
Commissioner Murvin	(Yes)	(No)
Commissioner Perez	(Yes)	(No)
Mayor Babb	(Yes)	(No)