

CITY OF WESTLAKE



MINUTES

City Council Final Budget Hearing

Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 6:00 PM

The Lodge at Westlake Adventure Park
5490 Kingfisher Blvd.
Westlake, Florida 33470

CITY COUNCIL:

JohnPaul O'Connor, Mayor
Greg Langowski, Vice Mayor
Gary Werner, Council Member – Seat 1
Julian Martinez, Council Member – Seat 2
Charlotte Leonard, Council Member – Seat 3

CITY STAFF:

Ken Cassel, City Manager
Zoie P. Burgess, CMC, City Clerk
Donald J. Doody, Esq., City Attorney
Nilsa Zacarias, AICP, Planning and Zoning Director
Suzanne Dombrowski, P.E., ENV SP, City Engineer

A final budget hearing of the City Council of the City of Westlake was held on Wednesday, September 11, 2024, at 6:00 PM., at The Lodge at Westlake Adventure Park, 5490 Kingfisher Blvd. Members of the public also attended the meeting through electronic means and accessed as follows:

1. Webex meeting from a computer, tablet or smartphone at the following link:
<https://cityofwestlake.my.webex.com/>

Meeting ID: 2633 988 6890

Password: hello

2. Participants also dialed in using phone with the following number:

United States Toll: +1-650-479-3208

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor O'Connor called the City of Westlake Final Budget Hearing of Wednesday, September 11, 2024, to order at 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present and constituting a quorum:

Councilman Gary Werner
Councilman Julian Martinez
Councilwoman Charlotte Leonard
Vice Mayor Greg Langowski
Mayor JohnPaul O'Connor

Also present:

Kenneth Cassel, City Manager
Sean M. Swartz, Esq., City Attorney
Zoie Burgess, City Clerk
Jennifer Hankins, Deputy City Clerk

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor O'Connor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor O'Connor took a moment of silence to acknowledge and remember 9-11.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor O'Connor called for any additions, deletions, or modifications to the agenda.

Mayor O'Connor called for a motion.

Motion by Councilman Martinez to approve the agenda as is, seconded by Councilman Werner.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Councilman Werner	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

PUBLIC HEARING

A. RESOLUTION 2024-18 – Adoption of Final Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2025

Submitted By: Finance

RESOLUTION 2024-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A FINAL MILLAGE RATE OF _____ FOR THE CITY'S GENERAL OPERATING FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor O'Connor introduced the item.

The City Manager stated the final millage rate is proposed to be 4.7. The rollback rate is 4.5649 with a 2.96% above the rollback rate.

Mayor O'Connor opened for council discussions, there being none, Mayor O'Connor called for public hearing.

No public comments.

Mr. Swartz asked that they adopt the millage rate.

Mayor O'Connor called for a motion to adopt the millage rate.

Motion by Councilman Martinez to adopt the millage rate, seconded by Councilman Werner.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilman Werner	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

Mr. Swartz read the Resolution, by title only, into the record.

Motion by Councilman Martinez to approve Resolution 2024-18, seconded by Councilwoman Leonard.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Councilwoman Leonard	YES
Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilman Werner	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

B. RESOLUTION 2024-19 - Adoption of Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025

Submitted By: Finance

RESOLUTION 2024-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTLAKE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A FINAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025; DETERMINING AND FIXING THE AMOUNTS NECESSARY TO CARRY ON THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY FOR THE ENSUING YEAR; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor O'Connor introduced the item.

The City Manager states there have been no changes since the last meeting in the budget that was presented.

Mayor O'Connor opened for council discussions, there being none, Mayor O'Connor calls for public hearing.

No public comments.

Motion by Councilman Martinez to approve Resolution 2024-19, seconded by Councilwoman Leonard.

UPON ROLL CALL:

Vice Mayor Langowski	YES
Mayor O'Connor	YES
Councilman Werner	YES
Councilman Martinez	YES
Councilwoman Leonard	YES

With all in favor, motion carried without dissent (5-0).

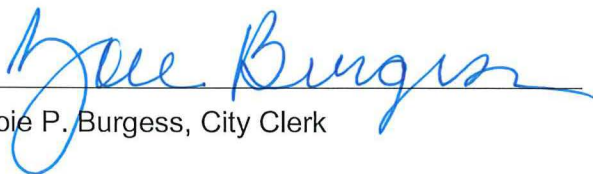
Mr. Swartz read the Resolution, by title only, into the record.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

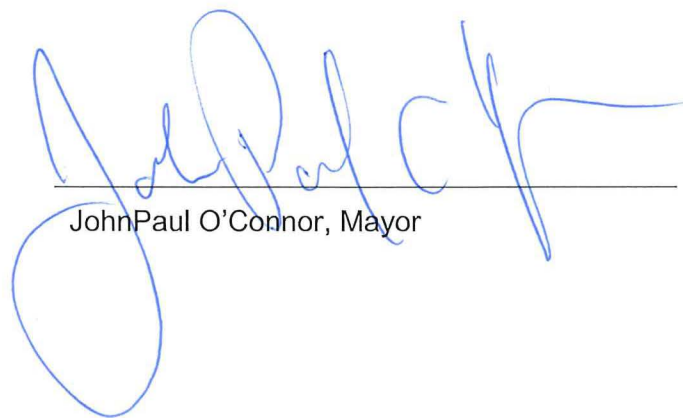
No public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 6:06 PM.



Zoie P. Burgess, City Clerk



John Paul O'Connor, Mayor