# **CITY OF WESTLAKE**



# **MINUTES**

City of Westlake and Seminole Improvement District Joint Workshop

Tuesday, May 21, 2024 at 4:00 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, PE, ENV SP, City Engineer A joint workshop of the City of Westlake and the Seminole Improvement District was held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 4:00 PM., at The Lodge at Westlake Adventure Park, 5490 Kingfisher Blvd. Members of the public also live streamed the meeting through electronic means and accessed as follows:

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor O'Connor called the City of Westlake and Seminole Improvement District Joint meeting of Tuesday, May 21, 2024, to order at 4:08 PM.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present and constituting a quorum:

#### City of Westlake

Councilman Gary Werner
Councilman Julian Martinez
Councilwoman Charlotte Leonard (Arrived at 4:45 PM)
Mayor JohnPaul O'Connor

#### Seminole Improvement District

Supervisor Gevers (Absent) Supervisor Beard Supervisor Massey

Also present for City of Westlake:

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

Also present for Seminole Improvement District:

Seth Behn, AICP

Vice Mayor Greg Langowski was not physically present but participated virtually.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor O'Connor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **WORKSHOP AGENDA**

**A. Presentation:** Seminole Improvement District (SID) and the City of Westlake's Interlocal Agreement, the Working Relationship and the Areas of Responsibility and Jurisdiction

Presented By: Seth Behn, AICP

Mr. Behn presented an overview of the relationship between the City of Westlake and the Seminole Improvement District:

- History of the Seminole Improvement District
- Roles and responsibilities
- Water Control Plan
- Funding of Seminole Improvement District Projects
- Dedicated fishing area
- Roads
- B. Seminole Improvement District (SID) Park Update and Future Development and Current and Future Development

Mr. Wheeler discussed and presented an overview of the plans for the incoming park:

- Heliport/Vertiport
- Park Lighting
- Electrical Power
- Park Hours
- Event Parking

Council discussed the option to add a vertiport to allow Electric Vehicle Takeoff and Landing (EVTOL). Mr. Cassel stated funding for phase 1 would include food truck areas, bathrooms, and lighting to hopefully be completed by July of the following year.

#### **DISCUSSION**

A. City of Westlake and Seminole Improvement District Boards Q & A and General Discussion

Council asked for a status of the Indian Trails lawsuit. Mr. Behn stated he was not part of the litigation team and would get a status update and forward to the city.

Council also discussed and asked for clarification on the total number of amenities.

Additional discussion on the multimodal path.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

<u>Public Comment – Alicia Torres – 5847 Whippoorwill Circle –</u> Ms. Torres inquired if a concession stand would be built into the park and if City Hall would still be located inside the park. Ms. Torres also inquired about the walking path.

<u>Public Comment - Suzanne Dombrowski - City Engineer, Chen Moore and Associates -</u> The Transportation Planning Agency (TPA) is holding a walk safety audit on Thursday May 23<sup>rd</sup> starting at City Hall at 7:00 AM.

<u>Public Comment - Lisa Gonzalez - 5680 Opal Drive - Ms.</u> Gonzalez asked what the building behind Publix is and if any big box stores and restaurants are coming to the City.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 5:32 PM.

Zoie P. Burgese, City Clerk

John Paul O'Connor, Mayor