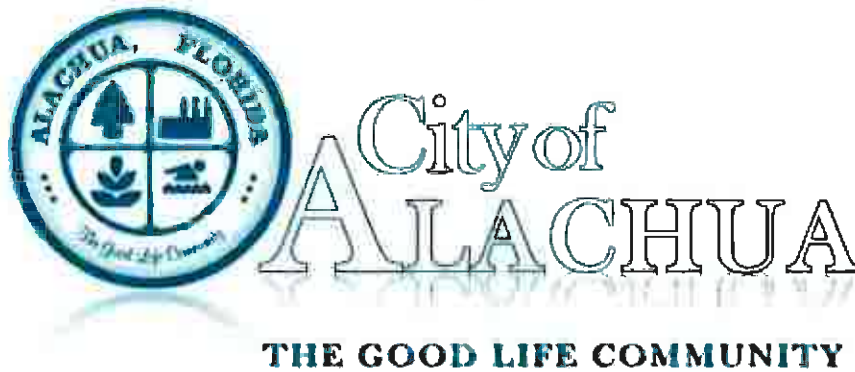




**Regular City Commission Meeting
Minutes
April 10, 2023**

Mayor Gib Coerper
Vice Mayor Jennifer Blalock
Commissioner Shirley Green Brown
Commissioner Dayna Miller
Commissioner Edward Potts

City Manager Mike DaRoza
City Attorney Marian Rush

The City Commission will conduct a
Regular City Commission Meeting
At 6:00 PM
to address the item(s) below.

Meeting Date: April 10, 2023

Meeting Location: James A Lewis Commission Chambers

CITIZENS PRESENT: Mairim Rodriguez, Jamie Smith, Travis Wood, Andrea Wood, Gabriel Wood, Reagan Wood, Elijah Wood, Erica Harrington, Guy Harrington, Jamir Dillard, Harry Dillard Jr., Kristine Juliar, Noe Caballero Jr., Mayleen Caballero, Isabel Carter, Mel Campos, Sophia Campos, Segun Campos, Vince Dixon Jr., Malcom Dixon, Jennifer Allen, Tom Hubbard, Ron Whitesides, Andrew Miller, Christopher Mallinson Robert Sharpe, James Bramblet, Dan Rittenhouse. STAFF PRESENT: Diane Amendola, Robert Bonetti, Heather Carter, Daniel Chalker, Tara Malone, Vanessa McDaniel, Carl Newsome, Brooke Price, Jesse Sandusky, Rodolfo Valladares, Cesar Vargas, David Wisener, Brandon Young.

CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Notice given pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes. In order to appeal any decision made at this meeting, you will need a verbatim record of the proceedings. It will be your responsibility to ensure such a record is made.

CALL TO ORDER

Led by Mayor Gib Coerper.

INVOCATION

Led by Pastor James Bramblet of Calvary Baptist Church.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Led by Mayor Coerper.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Dayna Miller moved to approve the amended agenda; seconded by Vice Mayor Jennifer Blalock.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed by unanimous consent.

APPROVE READING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE ONLY

Commissioner Shirley Green Brown moved to approve the reading of proposed ordinances and resolutions by title only; seconded by Vice Mayor Blalock.

Passed by unanimous consent.

I. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Alachua Elementary School- Student Artist Appreciation

Assistant Deputy City Clerk Diane Amendola introduced the presentation.

Mayor Coerper and Ms. Jamie Smith presented the students with certificates.

B. 2023 Great American Cleanup Proclamation

Public Services Director Rodolfo Valladares introduced the presentation.

Mayor Coerper read the proclamation.

Mayor Coerper thanked Public Services Director Valladares.

Commissioner Miller asked if citizens of the community had a project idea or area of the city which could be improved on for the Great American Cleanup, should they contact Public Services directly?

Public Services Director Valladares stated they could.

Commissioner Brown thanked Public Services Director Valladares.

C. National Public Safety Telecommunications Week Proclamation

Alachua Police Department Chief Jesse Sandusky introduced the presentation.

Mayor Coerper read the proclamation.

II. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON SUBJECTS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Malcom Dixon expressed concerns about reckless driving within the city and the safety of the youth.

Mr. Dan Rittenhouse, Chair for Turkey Creek's Safety Committee expressed safety concerns for the intersection of US Highway 441 and Turkey Creek Blvd. He also stated there were several street lights in Turkey Creek in need of repair.

(Please Limit to 3 Minutes). Any citizen who is unable to speak at this time will have an opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

(Presentations, other than the applicant, please limit to 3 Minutes)

V. AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Resolution 23-06: Accepting the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and Management Letter for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2022

City Attorney Marian Rush read Resolution 23-06 by title only.

Finance and Administrative Services Director Robert Bonetti introduced the item and Ronald Whitesides with Purvis Gray.

Mr. Whitesides introduced the presentation.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

Commissioner Miller thanked Mr. Whitesides for his presentation and the City's Finance Department for its hard work.

Finance and Administrative Services Director Bonetti thanked his staff for their dedication and hard work on the success of the audit.

Commissioner Edward Potts moved to adopt Resolution 23-06; seconded by Vice Mayor Blalock.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed 5-0 by roll call.

VI. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON SUBJECTS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Robert Sharpe expressed concerns about street light repair within Merrillwood.

(Please Limit to 3 Minutes). Any citizen who did not speak during the Citizen Comments period at the beginning of the meeting may do so at this

time.)

VII. COMMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY

City Manager Mike DaRoza thanked Pastor Bramblet for his invocation. He congratulated Alachua Elementary School student artists. He reminded citizens about the Great American Cleanup Saturday, May 6, 2023. He stated the City would increase police patrol, prioritize ensuring street signage was properly visible and in place and engineers would make sure roadway stripes would be visible.

VIII. COMMISSION COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

Commissioner Potts attended the Spring Concert Series and enjoyed Toppermost Beatles tribute band. He toured the UF Innovate/Sid Martin biotech Incubator and the Momentum Labs site with Commissioner Rick Minor from Leon County. He enjoyed the Cattlemen's Banquet and the Alachua Chamber Luncheon.

Commissioner Brown thanked Pastor Bramblet for his prayer. She attended the Cattlemen's Banquet, the Spring Concert Series and the basketball tournament held at Legacy Park and enjoyed all the events. She stated she visited Calvary Baptist Church's field day for their Co-op group. She thanked Mr. Dixon, Mr. Rittenhouse and Mr. Sharpe for expressing their concerns during the meeting.

Vice Mayor Blalock thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She reminded citizens to pay attention to their surroundings, not drive distracted and for parents/citizens to role model the behavior needed for the youth in the community.

Mayor Coerper was in attendance for the City's Easter event at Hal Brady Recreation Center.

ADJOURN

Vice Mayor Blalock moved to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Potts.

Passed by unanimous consent.

CONSENT AGENDA

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ATTEST:

CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA



Mike DaRoza, City Manager/Clerk



Gib Coerper, Mayor