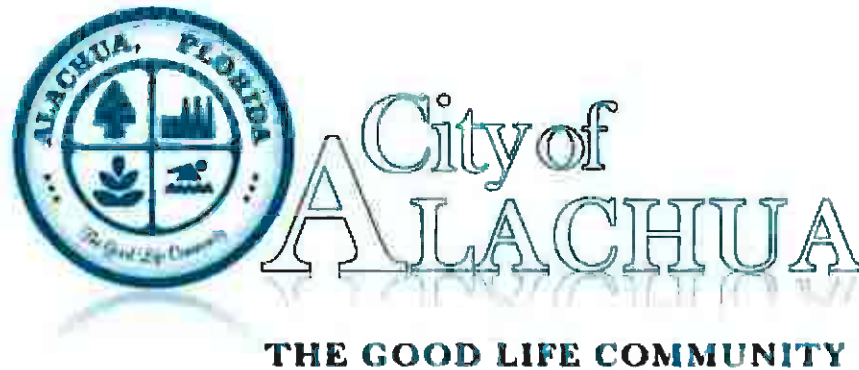




**Regular City Commission Meeting
Minutes
February 13, 2023**

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: February 13, 2023

Meeting Location: James A Lewis Commission Chambers

CITIZENS PRESENT: Tom Hubbard, Phillis W. Strickland, Ross Woodbridge, Michele Baylnas. **STAFF ATTENDING:** Diane Amendola, Robert Bonetti, Tara Malone, Jesse Sandusky, Rodolfo Valladares, LeAnne Williams, Cap Wilson.

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 Commissioner Shirley Green Brown.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Led by Mayor Coerper.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Edward Potts moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Dayna Miller.

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

Passed by unanimous consent.

I. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Flood Risk Review Meeting

Deputy City Clerk LeAnne Williams introduced the presentation.

Leroy Marshall, Chief Professional Engineer, Suwannee River Water Management District, made the presentation.

Commissioner Miller asked Mr. Marshall to elaborate on the content of the public meetings to take place in February.

Mr. Marshall stated a presentation on a loop would be provided for information, and planners would be available to sit with citizens to look at their property on the flood map. He stated this may affect property owners' need for flood insurance. He stated the new maps would require time for revision and could be ready by 2025.

Mayor Coerper inquired as to when Mr. Marshall was last here.

Chief Marshall stated around 2018.

Mayor Coerper stated he learns something new every year.

Mr. Marshall stated the new maps were created using LIDAR.

Commissioner Brown asked if there were flyers or hard copies of the presentation she could give to senior citizens.

Mr. Marshall stated he didn't have flyers, but the meetings were advertised on TV20, on the radio and in the newspaper.

Mr. Marshall stated the presentation was in the hands of City staff.

Commissioner Potts stated it was important for citizens to view their property on the virtual tour to see if they were now in the flood plain, so they could come to the meeting and ask questions.

City Manager Mike DaRoza stated he would place the information on the City monitors.

II. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON SUBJECTS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

Ross Woodbridge from the Alachua Branch Library announced:

1. The African American Read-In would take place on Sunday, February 19, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.
2. The Partnership for Strong Families had provided a resource navigator to assist citizens in finding jobs, clothing and other necessities. This person would be at the library on Thursdays, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
3. The Learning Center was currently available, and the library was offering after school tutoring from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday and Thursday.

Commissioner Brown thanked Mr. Woodbridge for his comments. She announced that City Manager DaRoza would be one of the readers at the African American Read-In, and she invited the Commission to join them.

(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

A. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Appointment

Deputy City Clerk Williams presented the appointment and conducted the ballot process.

Vice Mayor Blalock moved to appoint Jovante Hayes and Matthew Webster to a three-year term expiring February 21, 2026; seconded by Commissioner Potts.

City Manager DaRoza asked for Deputy City Clerk Williams to repeat the vote.

Deputy City Clerk Williams stated:

Malcolm Dixon 1 of 5 votes

Jovante Hayes 5 of 5 votes

Matthew Webster 4 of 5 votes

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed by unanimous consent.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

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

V. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Children's Trust of Alachua County Contract

Finance and Administrative Services Director Rob Bonetti introduced the item and made recommendations.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

Mayor Coerper stated this program was very helpful for the community.

Commissioner Brown stated the talent contest last year was wonderful, and this grant was an amazing opportunity.

Vice Mayor Blalock asked if this was the same amount as last year.

Finance and Administrative Services Director Bonetti stated he had brought these concerns to The Children's Trust, and they understood the City's position.

City Manager DaRoza stated there had been two meetings with The Children's Trust, and the new director was working on behalf of everyone. He stated Finance and Administrative Services Director Bonetti had stepped into the role of Recreation and Culture Director in the interim and had done a great job.

Commissioner Brown applauded Finance and Administrative Services Director Bonetti for his leadership and for all that he had done.

Commissioner Brown moved to authorize the City Manager to sign all appropriate documents to secure the grant; seconded by Commissioner Miller.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed 5-0 by roll call.

B. SETTLEMENT AND MUTUAL RELEASE WITH HARVEST

City Attorney Marian Rush introduced the item and made recommendations.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

There were no questions or comments.

Commissioner Miller moved to approve Settlement and Mutual Release Agreement in attached exhibit C and authorize Mayor Gib Coerper and City Manager/Clerk Mike DaRoza to sign it on behalf of the City; seconded by Vice Mayor Blalock

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed 5-0 by roll call.

C. Termination of Joint Planning Area Interlocal Agreement between Alachua County and City of Alachua - Execution of Deeds

City Manager DaRoza introduced the item and made recommendations.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

There were no questions or comments.

Commissioner Potts moved to authorize the Mayor to execute two deeds attached to the County: 1) conveying Northwest 59th Street, as per Right-of-way Map and 2) conveying 93rd Avenue, as per Right-of-way Map and the City Manager or designee to return the deeds to Alachua County; 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

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

Michele Baylnas asked when there would be a meeting on RV's.

Mayor Coerper stated that would be February 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

(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 DaRoza thanked Commissioner Brown for the invocation. He reminded residents that the

Flood Risk Review meeting would be held at the James A. Lewis City Commission Chambers on February 22, 2023, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. He announced the African American Read-In at the Alachua Branch Library would be Sunday, February 19, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and he would be reading on that day. He congratulated Mr. Hayes and Mr. Webster for their appointments to the Parks and Recreation Board.

VIII. COMMISSION COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

Commissioner Potts stated he attended:

1. The Saint Francis House Gala
2. Alachua Chamber of Commerce Banquet
3. Gainesville Chamber of Commerce meeting
4. Beaker & Flask Wine Company opening

Commissioner Miller stated she attended:

1. Alachua Chamber of Commerce Banquet
2. Beaker & Flask Wine Company opening

Commissioner Brown stated the Alachua County Community Remembrance Project Alachua/Newnansville Quilt was on display at San Felasco Tech City. It would then move to the Alachua Branch Library, and then it would come to Alachua City Hall from April through May. She commended Finance and Administrative Services Director Bonetti for his leadership and service to the City during his dual responsibilities. She announced the African American Read-In would be on Sunday, February 19, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. She stated she attended the Alachua Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

Vice Mayor Blalock stated she attended:

1. Alachua Chamber of Commerce Banquet
2. The Opioid Task Force Meetings

She stated the next Opioid Task Force meeting would be on March 8, 2023.

Mayor Coerper stated he attended:

1. The Boy Scout Troop 88 Pinewood Derby Annual Contest
2. Elk 990 Lodge event

ADJOURN

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

Passed by unanimous consent.

CONSENT AGENDA

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- A. November 14, 2022 City Commission Meeting Minutes
- B. December 12, 2022 City Commission Meeting Minutes

- C. January 9, 2023 City Commission Meeting Minutes
- D. January 23, 2023 City Commission Meeting Minutes
- E. Revision to FY 2023 Compensation Plan

ATTEST:



Mike DaRoza, City Manager/Clerk

CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA



Gib Coerper, Mayor