

**CITY OF
MOUNT DORA, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**



**MAY 3, 2022
CITY HALL
510 N. BAKER ST.
MOUNT DORA, FL 32757**

CALL TO ORDER

Having been duly advertised as required by law, Mayor Crissy Stile called the Regular Session of City Council to order at 6:00 P.M. in the Mount Dora Council Chambers.

MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Walker led a Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Members Present

Crissy Stile, Mayor
Marc Crail, Vice-Mayor
John Cataldo, District 1
Cal Rolfson, District 2
Austin Guenther, District 3
Nate Walker, District 5
Doug Bryant, At-Large

Also Present

Partick C. Comiskey, City Manager
Sherry G. Sutphen, City Attorney
Jessica Burnham, City Clerk

PRESENTATIONS

1. 2022 Building Safety Month Proclamation

Mayor Stile read the Building Safety Month Proclamation into the record.

John Abner, Deputy Building Inspector, spoke about Building Safety Month and how the Building Department was participating this year.

2. Presentation of the American Public Power Association's RP3 Award to Mount Dora Electric Utility

Steve Langley, Electric Utility Director, stated Mount Dora Electric Utility has been awarded the Public Power Association RP3 Award. Mr. Langley introduced the Electric Utility team and provided a presentation to Council, which is attached as Exhibit "A."

3. Public Works Facility Design Review

Chet Cramer, Project Manager, introduced Lori and James with ADG and Ajax, who provided the Council with a presentation, which is attached as Exhibit "B."

Discussion ensued on the design of the project.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Stile opened Public Comment.

Vance Jochim, 12619 Milwaukee Ave, Tavares, provided his views on agenda item Resolution No. 2022-30, Support of or Opposition to Legislation.

Mayor Stile closed Public Comment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Patrick Comiskey, City Manager, asked for item number two under the Consent agenda to be removed from the agenda and for items one and two under Action items to be moved to the consent agenda.

MOTION COUNCILMEMBER GUENTHER TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH STATED CHANGES; COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Request Approval of Amended and Restated Agreement Between City of Mount Dora and the Mount Dora Historical Society
2. Request Approval of Resolution No. 2022-30, Support of or Opposition to Legislation
3. Request Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - April 19, 2022 Regular City Council Minutes
 - April 19, 2022 Northeast CRA Governing Board Minutes
4. Request Approval of Resolution No. 2022-28, for a Fireworks Display at the July 3, 2022, Freedom on the Waterfront Event

****This item was moved from Action item***
5. Request approval of Resolution No. 2022-29, for a Fireworks Display at the July 30, 2022, Last Call Mount Dora Summer Concert Event

****This item was moved from Action item.***

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA; COUNCILMEMBER GUENTHER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Request Approval of Resolution No. 2022-28, for a Fireworks Display at the July 3, 2022, Freedom on the Waterfront Event

** This item was placed under the Consent Agenda as item number three.*

2. Discussion and Direction Pertaining to City Boards and Committees

Sherry Sutphen, City Attorney, spoke on the agenda item and mentioned five items that staff would like to have directions on. Those items are as follows: residency, qualifications, training for the committee members, zoom call in, terms, and term limits. Councilmember Rolfson suggested directing staff to format a document with the five mentioned items. Councilmember Bryant agreed with Councilmember Rolfson's suggestion, but brought up the idea of having staff put together a survey that Council could take and use to provide their comments.

Mayor Stile opened Public Comment.

Josh Hemingway, 1177 East 5th Avenue, stated he was in favor of the City taking a look at this item.

Mayor Stile closed Public Comment.

City Council unanimously agreed to direct staff to provide the Council with a survey on this topic within two weeks for further discussion.

3. Request approval of Resolution No. 2022-29, for a Fireworks Display at the July 30, 2022, Last Call Mount Dora Summer Concert Event

**This item was placed under the Consent Agenda as item number four.*

4. Discussion in Relation to the Dangerous Use of Public Right-of-Way Ordinance Proposed by Lake County Commissioner Kirby Smith

Chief of Police, Brett Meade, provided the Council with a summary of the agenda item.

Each Councilmember voiced their view on this topic.

Discussion then ensued on safety concerns and why this item was possibly being proposed.

COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON MADE A MOTION THAT THE CITY OF MOUNT DORA PROVIDE GENERAL SUPPORT TO THE ORDINANCE AND INSTRUCT OUR MAYOR TO SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO COMMISSIONER SMITH; COUNCILMEMBER BRYANT SECONDED THE MOTION.

Mayor Stile opened public input.

Vance Jochim, 12619 Milwaukee Avenue, Tavares, provided his support of this item.

Harlow Middleton, 699 East 5th Avenue, stated he understands the primary safety issue, but, in his view, this has the possibility of a violation of first amendment rights.

Mayor Stile closed public input.

MOTION WAS APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

YES	Councilmember Rolfson
	Councilmember Bryant
	Councilmember Guenther
	Vice-Mayor Crail
	Mayor Stile

NO	Councilmember Cataldo
	Councilmember Walker

PUBLIC HEARINGS - RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

1. Request for City Council Review and Discussion of the Second Draft Ordinance (With Redline Changes) for the Building Height Charter Amendment

City Attorney Sutphen read the draft Ordinance 2022-08, Building Height Charter Amendment by title only.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT DORA, FLORIDA PERTAINING TO A CHARTER AMENDMENT FOR THE 2022 BALLOT; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT; PROVIDING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS; PROVIDING PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT WITH TITLE AND BALLOT QUESTION; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND CODIFICATION.

Councilmembers discussed the changes within the draft Ordinance and spoke about removing the words Building Height Impact District as that relates to the twenty-five foot building height restriction within one hundred feet of the high-water mark of Lake Dora.

Mayor Stile opened Public Comment.

Josh Hemingway, 1177 East 5th Ave, voiced his concerns about the language regarding appurtenances and variances and the possibility of applying for both of those items.

Joe Lewis, 148 Charles Avenue, inquired if the general public would understand the question on the ballot and stated it will be very important to educate the general public on this matter.

Mayor Stile closed Public Comment.

Council agreed to direct the City Attorney by a voice vote (6-1) to remove the words Building Height Impact District as that relates to the twenty-five foot building height restriction within one hundred feet of the high-water mark of Lake Dora and bring it back as a first reading at the May 17, 2022 Regular City Council meeting.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Comiskey stated that on June 9, 2022, the City will hold a Preparedness Training Day for City Staff for the upcoming Hurricane season.

City Manager Comiskey also gave an update to the Council in regards to the building height survey that is being conducted within the Historic Downtown area.

Councilmember Rolfson spoke about the Lake Sumter MPO Board's top twenty priority projects and stated that number twenty is for road 441b, and that there is a possibility that it could be moved up on the priority list. He asked Council to consider giving support to this being moved up.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

1. Councilmember Doug Bryant

Councilmember Bryant spoke about the priorities of the MPO board and asked if all the projects could be addressed.

Councilmember Bryant inquired about the litter on Highway 44B and asked if this topic could be further discussed at a later date.

2. Councilmember John Cataldo

No report

3. Councilmember Austin Guenther

No report

4. Councilmember Cal Rolfson

Councilmember Rolfson spoke about the Lake County luncheon, provided congratulations to the electricity department, and agreed with Councilmember Bryant on further discussion on the litter cleanup.

5. Councilmember Nate Walker

Councilmember Walker wished Joe Grusauskas, Public Works and Utilities Director, well and thanked him for all his hard work.

6. Vice-Mayor Marc Crail

Vice-Mayor Crail also provided thanks and well wishes to Mr. Grusauskas.

Vice-Mayor Crail also mentioned that the most important thing in regards to the building height issue is to not miss any deadlines, and that we need to get it on the ballot.

7. Mayor Crissy Stile

Mayor Stile stated that work has begun on a new flow trail addition to the mountain bike trail. Mayor Stile also mentioned that the State of the City will take place this Thursday, May 5, 2022.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

1. May 16, 2022, 10:30 A.M., Work Session
2. May 17, 2022, 6:00 P.M., Regular Session
3. June 7, 2022, 6:00 P.M., Regular Session
4. June 21, 2022, 6:00 P.M., Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GUENTHER TO ADJOURN; COUNCILMEMBER WALKER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:21 P.M.



JESSICA BURNHAM
City Clerk



CRISSY STILE, MAYOR
City of Mount Dora