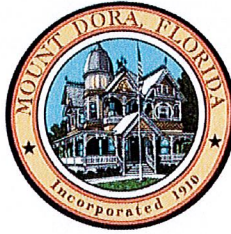


**CITY OF
MOUNT DORA,
FLORIDA
MINUTES**



**October 11, 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 Work Session of the Mount Dora City Council to order at 6:00 PM 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

Present

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

Also Present

Patrick C. Comiskey, City Manager
Jeanann Hand, Interim City Clerk

Not Present

John Cataldo, District 1

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. City Facilities

Councilmembers continued the discussion that began at the August 22nd Work Session regarding new facility locations, purposes, and personnel placement. This item is on the Regular Session agenda for October 18th; tonight's Work Session intends to provide additional information and opportunity for discussion prior to voting on the item. The facilities being considered require decisions that will affect especially the Fire Department, Parks and Recreation Department, and Utilities Department. Five options for facility use and purpose were provided in a PowerPoint and distributed as a pdf which is attached to the minutes as Exhibit A.

Councilmembers discussed the facility locations and purposes amongst themselves and with City staff. Concerns included responsibility regarding City spending and appropriate accommodation of each department's needs.

Interim Fire Chief Rich Loewer relayed information regarding Fire Department performance. He distributed a handout to Councilmembers, which is attached to the minutes as Exhibit B. Councilmembers agreed in their favor of option four.

2. City Hall Expansion

Deputy Planning Director Adam Sumner presented a PowerPoint and distributed a pdf detailing proposed expansions for City Hall. The presentation is attached to the minutes as Exhibit C. It was suggested that the Building and Planning Departments are lacking the space they need to operate efficiently and the proposed construction would provide the needed space. The expansion's impact on the historical character of the building was mentioned.

Use of City Hall as an Emergency Operations Center was discussed.

Appropriate partial use of Building Department funds for the proposed expansion project was broached. Mayor Stile suggested the purchase of the recently vacated building once used by BB&T as an alternative to the proposed building expansion. Parking was discussed.

City procedures following Hurricane Ian and the City's emergency operations were discussed. Interim Public Works Director George Marek provided an update on debris removal.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

1. October 18, 2022, 6:00 PM, Regular Session
2. November 1, 2022, 6:00 PM, Regular Session
3. November 15, 2022, 6:00 PM, Regular Session
4. December 6, 2022, 6:00 PM, Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER WALKER TO ADJOURN; SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON. MOTION WAS APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:48 PM.



JEANANN HAND
Interim City Clerk



CRISSY STILE, MAYOR
City of Mount Dora