

## Joint Meeting Agenda City of Hawthorne & Alachua County Board of County Commission Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:30 PM

## A. CALL TO ORDER

- 1. Mayor Jacquelyn Randall, City of Hawthorne
- 2. Chair Marihelen Wheeler, Alachua County Commission

## **B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

- 1. City of Hawthorne
- 2. Alachua County Board of County Commission

## C. ROUTINE ITEMS

#### 1. Broadband

Background: The city would like to partner with the County to provide broadband services to residents unable to attain this service using the ACBOCC ARPA funds.

### 2. CRA

Background: The City is seeking to renew the CRA at the current rate. The Hawthorne CRA has projects to be completed in the plan and requires the appropriate funding. The City is in the process of updating the CRA plan and completing the CRA audit.

## 3. Gas Tax-Mutual Aide List- Public Works In-Kind Service

Background: To help alleviate the reduction in revenue in the gas tax between Alachua County and the City of Hawthorne an agreement was drafted that services would be provided to the City of Hawthorne in the amount of \$174,277, provided by Alachua County Public Works as in-kind services. In total the City of Hawthorne has received 100 loads of asphalt millings for a value of \$19,315.44. The city has requested assistance most recently from Public works on: Holden Park Road Drainage (County Road) and SE 225<sup>th</sup> Way, SE 60<sup>th</sup> Place (large indention in road) need help in determining what the issue is and how to repair.

#### 4. Opioid Interlocal Agreement

Background: The City of Hawthorne would like to partner with the County for program assistance or funding to seek support for the Opioid Crisis. City Manager Sapp and Mayor Randall have had several meetings with Dr. Kendall Corteylou of Project Opioid and believe that this program would greatly educate and provide resources for our community that are imperative in battling this crisis.

## 5. Traffic Study on SE 69<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Background: at the last joint meeting a citizen requested a traffic/speed study on SE 69<sup>th</sup> avenue.

The county staff came out and preformed a traffic safety study and determined there was proper signage however, no speed studies were done and there has not been any improvement in incidences of speeding in this location.

# 6. Wastewater Project

Background: The city is currently seeking funding through a CDBG grant for \$650k to repair and rehabilitate our 13 lift stations and 142 manholes. If we receive this grant, it will only cover at best 3-4 lift stations with the increasing inflation. We have also filed two appropriations request and submitted the project to the Alachua County local Mitigation Strategy. The estimated cost for this project is \$2,689,000.

The Wastewater Treatment Facility needs expansion and repair. The city is in the process of seeking funding for expansion. The estimated costs for the expansion are \$10 million. The city has been working closely with Mittauer engineering firm to help plan the expansion and secure funding.

7. Ballot Initiative- Wild Space Public Place

Background: The city is in the process of developing projects for the ballot initiative. The municipalities will be meeting in the upcoming months to discuss the preference of splitting the grant. With WSPP funding the city has been able to complete several projects- purchasing the Wellness Center, constructing a Fishing Pier at Lindsey Phillips Park, completing ADA bathroom compliance at the Athletic park.

8. Economic Development

Background: The city is seeking partnership with the county to help provide and pursue capital for economic development for the Hawthorne Industrial Park and affordable housing.

# **D. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

# E. CITIZEN COMMENTS (Please Limit to 3 Minutes)

## F. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

1. Alachua County Commissioners Report

2. City of Hawthorne City Commissioners Report

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