



City of
HAWTHORNE
Florida

MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION ZOOM MEETING
Tuesday, October 6, 2020
6:30 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER- Mayor Surrency

1. Invocation- Mayor Surrency
2. Pledge of Allegiance- Mayor Surrency

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved to approve the amended agenda.

Motion- Commissioner Randall Second- Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson

Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson	Yes
Commissioner Howard	Yes
Commissioner Randall	Yes
Vice Mayor Roberts-Cheatham	Yes
Mayor Surrency	Yes

Vote 5-0

C. RECOGNITIONS & GUESTS- None

D. COMMITTEE REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

1. Ms. Jackie Johnson, Presentation-One Mill ballot initiative- Ms. Johnson gave a presentation the One Mill and explained the ballot language.

Ms. Megan Hendricks spoke in favor of supporting the one mill.

The City Commission thank Ms. Johnson and Ms. Hendricks and asked questions regarding the one mill.

E. CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

F. ROUTINE ITEMS

1. City Commission Minutes

A. Special Commission Meeting Minutes (Zoom) September 17, 2020

Moved to approve the meeting.

Motion- Vice Mayor Roberts-Cheatham Second- Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson

Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson	Yes
Commissioner Howard	Yes
Commissioner Randall	Yes
Vice Mayor Roberts-Cheatham	Yes
Mayor Surrency	Yes

Vote 5-0

2. Resolution- Resolution in Opposition to the Alachua County Proposed Charter Amendment Establishing a county growth management area
Moved to approve the Resolution as presented

Motion- Commissioner Howard Second- Commissioner Randall
City Attorney Hoehn read the Resolution by title only.

Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson	Yes
Commissioner Howard	Yes
Commissioner Randall	Yes
Vice Mayor Roberts-Cheatham	Yes
Mayor Surrency	Yes

Vote 5-0

3. Resolution- Agreement with Hawthorne Youth Sports, Inc.

Moved to table until further notice

Motion- Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson Second- Commissioner Howard

Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson	Yes
Commissioner Howard	Yes
Commissioner Randall	Abstain from voting because she is a member of the HYS Board
Vice Mayor Roberts-Cheatham	Yes
Mayor Surrency	Yes

Vote 4-0

4. City Charter, Term Limits

Commissioner Randall- During the Charter Amendment discussions on length of years per term in office this discussion stuck out and wanted to get other City Commission input. All City Commission agreed to 3 years per term. Staff will bring item back to the City Commission by Ordinance.

No action needed. Discussion only.

5. Park Naming Discussion

Commissioner Randall- it was her understanding that we would keep the previous applications and we would go through the changing of the Land Development Regulations like we did with the Park & City Hall. Just wanted clarity and what direction we are taking.

City Manager Vause explained we must follow the new ordinance that was adopted this year and will resend out applications by certified mail and give those interested a December 1, 2020 deadline to apply.

No action needed. Discussion only

6. November 3, 2020 City Commission Meeting

Moved to cancel the November 3, 2020 City Commission Meeting due to the General Election.

Motion- Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson Second- Commissioner Randall

Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson	Yes
Commissioner Howard	Yes
Commissioner Randall	Yes

Vice Mayor Roberts-Cheatham	Yes
Mayor Surrency	Yes

Vote 5-0

G. PUBLIC HEARING

FIRST READING- None

SECOND READING

1. Ordinance No 2020-07 / LDR 20-01, City of Hawthorne to amend the City's Land Development Regulations by amending the definition of "dwelling mobile home"

Moved to adopt Ordinance No 2020-07/LDR 20-01 on 2nd reading.

Motion- Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson Second- Commissioner Howard

Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson	Yes
Commissioner Howard	Yes
Commissioner Randall	Yes
Vice Mayor Roberts-Cheatham	Yes
Mayor Surrency	Yes

Vote 5-0

H. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Halloween Trick or Treat due to COVID-19

Hawthorne Chamber canceled their fall festival due to the Coronavirus. Staff wanted to update the City Commission on the CDC safety guidelines.

2. Governor Order 20-244- Lifting Restrictions

City Attorney Hoehn- The State of Florida is open for business and the restrictions are being removed. In person meetings will resume on November 1, 2020. We must have a quorum in person at city hall to approve/adopt items.

3. Monthly City Commission Meetings

The City Commission agreed to keep the second meeting in October and do one meeting in November on November 17, 2020 and do one meeting in December on December 15, 2020.

4. Re-Opening of City Hall

City Attorney Hoehn- Do not see a problem keeping city hall closed because services for customers have not been interrupted.

City Manager Vause- Staff needs direction on the reopening of Little Orange Creek Nature Park and the Community Center. The City Commission agreed to reopen at full capacity but to put on the contracts that guest must wear mask if possible and practice the six feet distance.

I. CITIZEN COMMENTS- None

J. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

1. City Manager Vause gave her City Managers Report

2. City Attorney Hoehn- No Report

3. City Clerk McGruder- No Report

4. City Commissioners Report

Commissioner Bouie-Hutchinson- No report

Commissioner Randall- Next SAC & PTA is Thursday, October 8 at 5:30PM. Schools can do Covid-19 testing for students. Pushing residents to complete their census. Rural Tech Grant will be submitted this week and is asking for prayers that we are selected for the second round. HYS upcoming softball games on October 9 & October 10, 2020. HMHS selected to in the US News and Worldwide Report as one of the best high schools because of our AP classes, Testing Rate and Graduating Rate.

Commissioner Howard- No Report

Vice Mayor Roberts-Cheatham- Thank you to the City Commission and staff. She is very pleased with the direction the city is going.

5. Mayor Surrency Report- Appreciative of the City Commission & staff.

L. ADJOURN @ 8:30PM

These minutes are submitted for approval.

LaKesha H. McGruder, MMC
City Clerk

Matthew Surrency, Mayor