

1 **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING** of the City Council of the City of Orange City, Florida, held  
2 on Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, 201 N. Holly Avenue, Orange City.

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4 **CALL TO ORDER**

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6 The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice Mayor O'Connor and roll call was taken.

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8 **ROLL CALL**

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10 **PRESENT:** Vice Mayor Bill O'Connor; Council Members: O. William (Bill) Crippen, Jim Mahoney, Kelli  
11 Marks, Martin Harper, Jeff Allebach; City Attorney William Reischmann; City Manager Dale Arrington;  
12 City Clerk Gloria Thomas.

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14 **ABSENT:** Mayor Blair

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16 **INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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18 The Invocation was given by Sensei Neil Hakuyo McGinnis-Volusia Buddhist Fellowship, followed by the  
19 Pledge of Allegiance.

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21 **1. ABSENCES:**

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23 None at this time

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25 **2. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

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27 A. Proclamation System Information Administrator Day

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29 Vice Mayor O'Connor read a proclamation into the record proclaiming July 26, 2019 as System  
30 Administrator Appreciation Day in Orange City. He encouraged all citizens and employees to increase their  
31 awareness of how important our "IT" guys are to the City.

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33 B. Curb Appeal Awards – 2nd Quarter

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35 Becky Mendez, Development Services Director, presented the second quarter residential and commercial  
36 Curb Appeal Award winners. She announced the commercial winner as Miracle Car Wash, 2933 Enterprise  
37 Road and the residential winner as Thelma McClain, 736 Briarwood Court.

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39 **3. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

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41 Natali Reyes, DeLand Orange City Alliance, came forward to share programs and initiatives the DeLand  
42 Chamber of Commerce and Orange City Alliance is working on with the West Volusia communities.

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44 Ms. Reyes announced the West Volusia Means Business Luncheon on September 12, 2019, 11:30 a.m. at  
45 the West Volusia Fair Grounds. She noted that Nicki Freed, Agricultural Commissioner of the State of

1 Florida will be the guest speaker. Ms. Reyes encouraged Council to reserve seats at  
 2 [www.DeLandChamber.org](http://www.DeLandChamber.org). She stated that a table for the City can be purchased by contacting Janet Wilson,  
 3 Marketing Director.

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 5 Ms. Reyes announced the West Volusia Business Expo on October 10, 2019, 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. located  
 6 at The Center of Deltona.

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 8 Ms. Reyes announced the Women in Power Initiative November 1, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. being held at the  
 9 Debary Golf and Country Club.

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 11 Sherry Simmons, Executive Director for the West Volusia Regional Chamber of Commerce, announced  
 12 that the WILLOW Ladies Luncheon - Women in Leadership to be held on Friday July 26, 2019. Ms.  
 13 Christina Raimundo will be the lead speaker.

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 15 Ms. Simmons announced that the Chamber will hold its 2019 Business Awards on October 30, 2019 at  
 16 Venue 142 in DeLand. She advised that the AM Connection, the region's largest morning networking  
 17 group, meets every Tuesday at the Gateway Center for the Arts in Debary.

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 19 **4. CONSENT AGENDA:**

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 21 A. Contract Award – Diesel Generator and Electrical Switchgear Replacement at Country Village  
 22 B. Contract Award – Water Laboratory Analyses  
 23 C. Approve July 09, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

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 25 **Council Member Crippen moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by**  
 26 **Council Member Allebach, the motion passed by a 6/0 roll call vote of the City**  
 27 **Council.**

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 29 **5. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:**

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 31 None at this time

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 33 **6. PUBLIC HEARINGS/ORDINANCES-SECOND READING:**

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 35 None at this time

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 37 **7. RESOLUTIONS:**

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 39 A. **Resolution No. 953-19-** A resolution of the City of Orange City, Florida, relating to the  
 40 provision of street lighting services, facilities, and programs throughout the Briarwood  
 41 south street lighting assessment area; estimating the cost of street lighting services,  
 42 facilities, and programs to be assessed for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2019;  
 43 determining that certain real property will be specially benefitted thereby; establishing the  
 44 method of assessing the street lighting service cost against the real property that will be  
 45 specially benefitted thereby; directing the City Manager to prepare or direct the preparation

1 of a preliminary assessment roll based upon the methodology set forth herein; establishing  
2 a public hearing to consider imposition of the proposed street lighting assessments and the  
3 method of their collection and directing the provision of notice in connection therewith;  
4 providing for severability; and providing an effective date.  
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6 Mr. Reischmann read the title of Resolution No. 953-19 into the record.  
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8 Christine Davis, Finance Director, came forward to provide a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is  
9 attached and becomes a permanent part of these minutes) that described Resolution No. 953-19. Ms. Davis  
10 reported that the resolution was presented due to the recent enclave annexations. She noted that the City  
11 inherited an existing street lighting assessment in the Briarwood South area.  
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13 Ms. Davis stated that staff recommends Council approve Resolution 953-19 adopting the initial rate for the  
14 Briarwood South street lighting district for FY 19/2020.  
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16 **Council Member Allebach moved to approve Resolution No. 953-19, seconded by**  
17 **Council Member Crippen, the motion passed by a 6/0 roll call vote of the City**  
18 **Council.**  
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- 20 B. **Resolution No. 955-19-** A resolution of the City of Orange City, Florida, relating to the  
21 collection and disposal of solid waste in the incorporated area of Orange City, Florida;  
22 establishing the estimated assessment rate for solid waste service assessments against  
23 residential property located within the incorporated area of Orange City, Florida, for the  
24 fiscal year beginning October 1, 2019; directing the preparation of an updated solid waste  
25 assessment roll; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice thereof;  
26 and providing an effective date.  
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28 Mr. Reischmann read the title of Resolution No. 955-19 into the record.  
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30 Ms. Davis provided a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is attached and becomes a permanent part  
31 of these minutes) that described Resolution No. 955-19. Ms. Davis reported that the preliminary solid waste  
32 assessment will establish a rate that is the same as the previous year.  
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34 Ms. Davis stated that staff recommends Council approval of Resolution No. 955-19.  
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36 **Council Member Allebach moved to approve Resolution No. 955-19, seconded by**  
37 **Council Member Crippen, the motion passed by a 6/0 roll call vote of the City**  
38 **Council.**  
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- 40 C. **Resolution No. 956-19-** A resolution of the City of Orange City, Florida, relating to the  
41 provision of stormwater management services; estimating the cost of stormwater  
42 management services provided by the City; establishing the method of charging the cost  
43 of stormwater management services against the real property that will be benefited and  
44 served thereby; directing the city manager to prepare or direct the preparation of an  
45 updated stormwater service assessment roll based upon the methodology set forth herein;

1 establishing a public hearing for the proposed stormwater service assessments and  
2 directing the provision of notice in connection therewith; providing for severability; and  
3 providing an effective date.

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5 Mr. Reischmann read the title of Resolution No. 956-19 into the record.

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7 Ms. Davis provided a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is attached and becomes a permanent part  
8 of these minutes) that described Resolution No. 956-19. Ms. Davis stated that Resolution No. 956-19 will  
9 set the preliminary assessment at \$13.57 per Equivalent Benefit Unit (EBU). She stated that the tax roll will  
10 be set at \$756,124.

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12 Ms. Davis stated that staff recommends Council approval of Resolution No. 956-19 adopting the preliminary  
13 rate for the storm water assessment program for FY 19/2020.

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15 **Council Member Mahoney moved to approve Resolution No. 956-19, seconded**  
16 **by Council Member Harper, the motion passed by a 6/0 roll call vote of the City**  
17 **Council.**

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19 D. **Resolution No. 957-19-** A resolution of the City of Orange City, Florida, relating to the  
20 provision of street lighting services, facilities, and programs throughout the Shadow Ridge  
21 Street Lighting Assessment Area; estimating the cost of street lighting services, facilities,  
22 and programs to be assessed for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2019; directing  
23 the city manager to prepare or direct the preparation of an updated street lighting  
24 assessment roll; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in  
25 connection thereof; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.

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27 Mr. Reischmann read the title of Resolution No. 957-19 into the record.

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29 Ms. Davis provided a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is attached and becomes a permanent part  
30 of these minutes) that described Resolution No. 957-19. Ms. Davis gave a brief history of the Shadow Ridge  
31 Street Lighting Assessment area. She noted that each year the City must certify the non-ad valorem  
32 assessment roll(s) to Volusia County.

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34 Ms. Davis stated that staff recommends Council approve Resolution No. 957-19.

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36 **Council Member Mahoney moved to approve Resolution No. 957-19, seconded**  
37 **by Council Member Crippen, the motion passed by a 6/0 roll call vote of the City**  
38 **Council.**

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40 E. **Resolution No. 959-19-** A resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange City,  
41 Florida, adopting a proposed millage rate for the 2019-2020 fiscal year; establishing the  
42 date, time, and place for a public hearing on the proposed millage rate and the tentative  
43 budget; directing communication; expressing legislative intent; repealing all resolutions in  
44 conflict herewith and providing for an effective date.

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1 Mr. Reischmann read the title of Resolution No. 959-19 into the record.

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3 Ms. Davis provided a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is attached and becomes a permanent part  
4 of these minutes) that described Resolution No. 959-19. Ms. Davis stated that Resolution No. 959-19 will  
5 set the FY 19/2020 tentative tax rate. She noted that the chosen rate will be used in the Truth-In-Millage  
6 (TRIM) notices sent out in August.

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8 Ms. Davis noted that the budget workshop is set for Monday, August 12, 2019. The first public hearing will  
9 be held on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 and the final public hearing on Tuesday, September 24, 2019  
10 to finalize the millage rate and budget.

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12 Ms. Davis noted that the FY 18/19 tentative millage rate was set at 8.034 mills and the 2019 calculated roll  
13 back rate is 7.6941 mills. The recommended rate for utilization on the TRIM notice is 7.791 mills. The City  
14 Manager recommends a rate of 8.0 mills.

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16 Ms. Davis discussed the maximum voting requirements established by State law. She noted that a majority  
17 vote or four votes are required to adopt a millage rate up to 7.9549 or lower mills. A two-thirds vote or five  
18 votes are required for a millage rate of 8.0. Anything over 8.7504 mills would require a unanimous vote or  
19 referendum.

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21 Ms. Davis provided a brief history of the past millage rates.

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23 Ms. Arrington stated that she stands with the earlier recommendation made during the preliminary budget  
24 workshop. She noted that the tentative millage rate could be set higher and then lowered; however, it cannot  
25 be increased. She pointed out that the City is still in union negotiations with the Fire and Police Departments  
26 which represents over fifty percent of the workforce. Ms. Arrington recommended Council set the millage  
27 rate at 8.000 with the intent of finalizing at 7.791 mills.

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29 Ms. Davis stated that staff recommends Council adopt Resolution 959-19 establishing a tentative millage  
30 rate of 8.0000 mills, a 3.98 percent increase over the roll back rate of 7.6941 and which will generate  
31 approximately \$148,000 that could be used throughout the budget development process.

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33 **Council Member Harper moved to approve Resolution No. 959-19, seconded by**  
34 **Council Member Crippen.**

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36 Council Member Harper stated that in lieu of the failed half-cent sales tax election, the citizens may be in  
37 favor of the recommended millage rate.

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39 Council Member Crippen stated that he supports the tentative millage rate.

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41 Council Member Marks commented that since the recommended millage rate is tentative, it makes sense  
42 to adopt it and have the option to lower the rate.

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44 Council Member Allebach stated that five votes would be needed to approve the 8.000 millage rate.  
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1 Council Member Mahoney stated that he is in favor of the recommended millage rate.

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3 Council Member O'Connor stated that he is in favor of the recommended millage rate.

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5 **Motion passed by a 6/0 roll call vote of the City Council.**

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7 **8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

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9 A. Cooperative Economic Development Agreement with Team Volusia

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11 Keith Norden, CEcD President and CEO of Team Volusia Economic Development Corporation (TVEDC),  
12 came forward and introduced Chris Wimsatt.

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14 Chris Wimsatt, CEcD Vice President, Business Development provided a PowerPoint presentation  
15 concerning Team Volusia (a copy of which is attached and becomes a permanent part of these minutes.)  
16 Mr. Wimsatt stated that TVEDC is a public/private partnership. He provided a chart of officials and  
17 employees.

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19 Mr. Wimsatt discussed strategies for success, the business development ecosystem, TVEDC investment  
20 charts, the 2019 business development budget, outreach recruitment and the yearly calendar of events. He  
21 provided information regarding the marketing plans and efforts, community/investor assistance initiatives  
22 and business development projects.

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24 Mr. Wimsatt provided local community data and goals, employment overview, the leverage employment  
25 and real estate availability in the City. He stated that both wages and available jobs increased over past years  
26 and are projected to continue to do so. He noted that more people are traveling into the City for employment  
27 than searching for employment outside of the City.

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29 Mr. Wimsatt concluded by providing suggestions to make the City more competitive.

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31 Council Member Mahoney referred to the slide regarding businesses that provide funding and asked about  
32 the overlap of all the businesses.

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34 Mr. Wimsatt responded that each business has a unique reason for being involved in the investment process.

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36 John Wannamaker, Caldwell Banker Commercial AI Group 1019 Town center Dr., came forward to state  
37 that his business has been in the City for over 20 years. He complimented Team Volusia for helping  
38 businesses expand in West Volusia.

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40 A discussion ensued between Council Member Mahoney, Mr. Wimsatt and Mr. Wannamaker that included,  
41 themes of the tradeshow, strengths and areas of improvement as well as low cost tax environments.

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43 Ms. Mendez stated that this is a contract renewal request from Team Volusia. The cost to retain the City's  
44 membership is \$5,860 annually, the contract is a one year contract. Ms. Mendez stated that staff recommends  
45 Council approve the contract and allow the Mayor to execute the agreement.

1           **Council Member Mahoney moved to approve the Cooperative Economic**  
2           **Development Agreement with Team Volusia, and to authorize the Mayor's**  
3           **signature, seconded by Council Member Harper, motion passed by a 6/0 roll call**  
4           **vote of the City Council.**

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6           B. Discussion on the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) "Trail Town"  
7           Designation

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9           Ms. Mendez provided a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is attached and becomes a permanent  
10          part of these minutes) that described the Florida Trail Town Designation program. Ms. Mendez explained  
11          the details of the trail town program and the qualifications for a town to be named a trail town. She stated  
12          that Orange City is making strides to become a trail town.

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14          Ms. Mendez stated that staff recommends re-evaluating the City's eligibility after construction of Big  
15          French is completed and the Master Trail Plan and Complete Streets program are fully implemented.

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17          Council Member Crippen provided an update of the spring to spring plan for the bike trails.

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19          Council Member Allebach stated that the City is not at the level of being a trail town just yet.

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21          Vice Mayor O'Connor stated that he looks forward to when the City can be called a trail town.

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23          C. Single-use Plastic Items

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25          Ms. Arrington provided a PowerPoint presentation on single-use plastic items (a copy of which is attached  
26          and becomes a permanent part of these minutes.) She discussed the various matters to consider with regard  
27          to single-use plastic items. She noted the implications of banning the use of single-use plastics and  
28          suggested that these types of programs are more effective when done at the state level. Ms. Arrington  
29          advised that education and voluntary involvement is the easiest path.

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31          Council Member Crippen stated that he agrees that single use plastics are a problem and that a plastic ban  
32          should be voluntary.

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34          Council Member Harper stated that a cultural change is necessary and adopting a resolution discouraging  
35          the use of single-use plastics is a good start.

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37          Council Member Marks discussed the matters to consider when banning single-use plastics. She stated that  
38          a ban may hurt those businesses that may not be able to afford the implementation of such a program.

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40          Council Members Allebach and Mahoney agreed with the City Manager's recommendation.

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42          Vice Mayor O'Connor suggested the City start a campaign to discourage the use of single-use plastic.

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44          Judy Johnson, 18A Azula Drive asked if the cost of recycling was considered while researching single-use  
45          plastics. She noted that the subject of recycling is a monumental issue.

1           **It was the consensus of the City Council that the City Manager bring forward a**  
2           **broad resolution regarding single-use plastics and make it voluntary to**  
3           **participate.**  
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5   **9. REPORTS:**

6           A. City Manager

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9   Ms. Arrington reported the Police Department received a reward grant for the purchase of four radar guns.  
10   She noted that the grant is short \$187.00 and requested that Council approve the remainder.

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12           **It was the consensus of the Council to approve the purchase of the four radar guns.**  
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14   Ms. Arrington reported that Council recently approved a bid for two roadway projects and the fencing  
15   around Colin's Dream Park before the beginning of the school year. The fencing project will be completed  
16   successfully however, the roadwork project will need to be delayed.

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18   Ms. Arrington announced that the next meeting will be the Budget workshop scheduled for Monday August  
19   12, 2019. She noted that this year she will be presenting the complete budget to Council as opposed to  
20   scheduling individual meetings. The regular City Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday August 13,  
21   2019.

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23   Ms. Arrington announced the Kentucky Ave. community meeting on July 30, 2019 in Council Chambers,  
24   as well as the Blue Spring Wetland Study presentation on July 31, 2019 at the Wayne Sanborn Center in  
25   DeLand at 5:30 p.m.

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27           B. City Clerk

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29   No report at this time.

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31           C. City Attorney

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33   No report at this time.

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35   **10. NEW BUSINESS:**

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37   None at this time.

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39   **11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** See Consent Agenda

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41   **12. COUNCIL & MAYOR'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

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43   Council Member Marks asked if anyone knew why Blue Springs Pizza closed down. She thanked all those  
44   that attended the VIA 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala. She announced that the VIA is a sponsor for the Colin's  
45   Dream Park grand opening. She stated that she was excited about the Monarch Butterfly garden in Dickinson

1 Park and thanked Ms. Arrington for her assistance. She stated that the VIA looks forward to working with  
 2 staff in the building of the Monarch Butterfly garden.

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 4 Council Member Harper complimented Ms. Arrington for the presentation on plastics.

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 6 Council Member Allebach stated that the information provided was very organized. He cautioned everyone  
 7 to be careful in the heat. He stated that the intersection of 17-92 and Enterprise should be changed from a  
 8 merge lane to include a traffic light due to the congestion and accidents that occur. Council Member  
 9 Allebach stated that he was proud of the Fire and Police Department for all their efforts in assisting with  
 10 accidents throughout the City.

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 12 Council Member Crippen stated that he appreciated the conversations pertaining to the Big French project.  
 13 He stated that he is excited about the Monarch Butterfly garden. He thanked Migdalia for reporting on the  
 14 THM's in the wells. He appreciates the efforts to raise awareness about single-use plastics. He thanked all  
 15 those that attended the meeting.

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 17 Council Member Mahoney thanked everyone who provided presentations. He thanked staff for the follow-  
 18 up on the Shadow Ridge special assessment.

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 20 Vice Mayor O'Connor stated that he was pleased with the suggested 8.00 tentative millage rate. He stated  
 21 that he noticed there were no street lights on Enterprise road. He complimented everyone on the  
 22 presentations and the Parks and Recreation department for keeping Mill Lake clean and beautiful. He stated  
 23 that Council should bring reusable beverage cups to the next meeting. He stated that it was a pleasure to fill  
 24 in for the Mayor.

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 26 Vice Mayor O'Connor advised that he will entertain a motion to adjourn.

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 28 **Council Member Crippen moved to adjourn the City Council meeting, seconded**  
 29 **by Council Member Mahoney, the meeting was adjourned by a unanimous voice**  
 30 **vote of the City Council.**

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 32 **13. ADJOURN:**

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 34 There being no further business, Vice Mayor O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 9:23 p.m.

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 36 **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

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 39 Melani Beringer  
 40 CMC, Deputy City Clerk

**APPROVED ON:**

**08-13-2019**  
 Date