

1 **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING** of the City Council of the City of Orange City, Florida,
2 held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 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 Mayor Blair and roll call was taken.

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8 **ROLL CALL**

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

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15 **INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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17 The Invocation was given by Mike Carroll-First Assembly DeLand, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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19 **1. ABSENCES:** None at this time.

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21 It was the consensus of the Council to move the Consent Agenda forward to proceed Agenda item number
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24 **2. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

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26 **A. Proclamation: Recognition of Tessa Fannin**

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28 Mayor Blair stated that Tessa Fannin was unable to attend the meeting. He thanked Barbara Wilson and
29 the Fur Baby Lost and Found Dog’s Facebook community for introducing Ms. Fannin to the City. Mayor
30 Blair voiced appreciation for Ms. Fannin’s dedication to reunite pets and their owners.

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32 **B. Presentation: Master Facilities Plan**

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34 Javier Omana, Vice President of CPH Engineers Inc., provided a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of
35 which is attached and becomes a permanent part of these minutes.) Mr. Omana discussed the Orange City
36 Master Facility Plan that included the seven line items presented in the RFP. Staff has requested to move
37 forward with these seven line items.

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39 Mr. Omana provided a summary of each City facility’s needs. He concluded the presentation with a
40 working schedule of future workshops and the steps going forward.

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42 **C. Presentation: Administration**

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44 Dale Arrington, City Manager, provided a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is attached and
45 becomes a permanent part of these minutes) that described the responsibilities and day to day functions
46 and operations in the City Administration office.

1 Ms. Arrington described the operational flow and parts of city government that the Administration office
2 directly oversees. She stated that the general government budget has no employee association. Ms.
3 Arrington provided the amended operating, capital and general government budgets for FY 2019/2020.

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5 Ms. Arrington described the operations and responsibilities of the Public Information, Information
6 Technology, and Human Resources/Risk Management departments.

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8 Ms. Arrington reported that the challenges of the Administration office were a starting pay of \$11.35, a
9 conversion to paperless personnel files and processes. Ms. Arrington stated that a Human Resources
10 Coordinator and an Assistant City Manager are two positions needed in the Administration office.

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12 ~~D. Presentation: City Clerk~~

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14 The City Clerk Presentation was postponed, at staff's request.

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16 E. Presentation: Police Annual Report

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18 Wayne Miller, Deputy Police Chief, discussed a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is attached and
19 becomes a permanent part of these minutes) that described an overview of the Orange City Police
20 Departments Annual Report for 2019. Deputy Chief Miller noted that this was the fifth consecutive year
21 the Police Department has published this comprehensive report. The report outlines every facet of police
22 operation and criminal activity in the City.

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24 Deputy Chief Miller reported on the three divisions within the Police Department, officer population per
25 capita ratio and staffing. He noted that the Police Department experienced staffing challenges and
26 discussed the Officer/Population ratio for Orange City.

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28 Deputy Chief Miller reviewed the 2019 Florida Department of Law Enforcement statistics regarding crime
29 in Orange City. He discussed serious person crimes vs. property crimes, crime rates by city, traffic
30 statistics, and subject resistance/de-escalation. Chief Miller also talked about the duties of the Code
31 Enforcement Division, police staffing for City events, and detective statistics. He also reviewed animal
32 control services, grievance analysis, police officer outside details, community oriented policing, and
33 community partnerships with social media.

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35 In closing, the Deputy Chief thanked the City Manager and Council for their assistance in making the City
36 safe.

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38 F. Presentation: Police

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40 Police Chief, Peter Thomas, referred to a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is attached and
41 becomes a permanent part of these minutes). Chief Thomas explained the operating details, functions and
42 capital budget of the Police Department. He noted that the primary challenges that the Police Department
43 face is manpower-budget, attitude toward law enforcement nationwide, and ongoing changes in the law
44 and technology, which is expensive. Chief Thomas reported that the department's key projects were the
45 construction of a new building and updating standard operating policies and procedures.

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47 **3. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

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49 No comments at this time.

1 **4. CONSENT AGENDA:** *(moved forward on the agenda to follow Agenda item number 1.)*

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3 A. 2020 Special Event Calendar

4 B. Contract Award – General Planning Services for Orange City (RSQ Q103-0-2020/DRS)

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6 **Vice Mayor O’Connor moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by**
7 **Council Member Crippen, the motion passed by 7/0 roll call vote of the City**
8 **Council.**
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10 **5. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:**

11 None at this time.

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14 **6. PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCES SECOND & FINAL READING:**

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16 None at this time.

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18 **7. RESOLUTIONS:**

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20 None at this time

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22 **8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

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24 A. Resurfacing Splash Pad at Veterans Memorial Park

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26 Ashley Gay, Parks and Recreation Superintendent, came forward to provide a PowerPoint presentation (a
27 copy of which is attached and becomes a permanent part of these minutes.) Ms. Gay reported that the
28 splash pad at Veterans Memorial Park was in need of repairs.

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30 Ms. Gay provided the Council with three repair options for the splash pad;

- 31 1. Accept and award the quotation received. This would require a total of \$45,500:
- 32 \$37,500 for the price quoted and \$7,500 for subfloor remediation. An additional
- 33 \$20,500 will need to be appropriated from the contingency fund to add to this year's
- 34 budget of \$25,000.
- 35 2. Reject the quotation received and consider an alternative surface/product though
- 36 competitive bids. The Council should expect this to require two to three times the
- 37 approved budget or up to \$75,000 to resurface with concrete or other products. This
- 38 retains the splash pad in its current configuration and location and does not include a
- 39 new water treatment system. The DOH informed that they would allow the City to
- 40 continue to patch the splash pad until work is performed.
- 41 3. Removing the entire splash pad and rebuilding with a more up to date system,
- 42 including a new water treatment system which would allow the mechanical
- 43 components to be moved from the center of the park to the unused pump house. (For
- 44 example, the City paid about \$120,000 in 2015 to build the splash pad at Mill Lake
- 45 Park). This would include a new UV treatment system for additional treatment of
- 46 water.

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48 Ms. Gay stated that all three options are viable however splash pads have a shorter life span. Concrete
49 splash pads last longer than the alterative surface discussed above. Ms. Gay noted that if Council wants to

1 maintain a soft surface for younger children, option A should be selected. She stated that staff recommends
2 that the City Council select an option from the list above.

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4 A discussion ensued between Council concerning a decision regarding the splash pad.

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6 Ms. Arrington recommended staff do further research concerning the costs and possible fees to allow
7 outside use of the splash pads and present back to Council.

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9 **Vice Mayor O'Connor moved to direct staff to take the necessary steps in order to**
10 **have both splash pads opened successfully in time for the summer, seconded by**
11 **Council Member Crippen, motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the City**
12 **Council.**

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14 **9. REPORTS:**

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16 **A. City Manager**

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18 No report at this time.

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20 **B. City Clerk**

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22 Ms. Thomas announced that the new City Seal has been delivered and is on display.

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24 **C. City Attorney**

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26 Mr. Reischmann reminded Council that the City Charter requires that the City Council meet, in person, at
27 least once a month. A request was sent to the Governor to wave that requirement should a mandatory
28 quarantine go in affect.

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30 **10. NEW BUSINESS:**

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32 Council Member Harper stated that the intersection of Leavitt and Rhode Island is dangerous and should
33 be prioritized for safety measures.

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35 Ms. Mendez stated that a study of the intersection has been conducted. A draft report will be completed
36 shortly.

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38 Council Member Harper recommended an education program be instilled that would encourage
39 restaurants to provide their patrons with a straw option.

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41 Council Member Mahoney requested that staff investigate a sewer service delivery issue on Monastery
42 Rd. and report back to Council.

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44 **It was the consensus of the Council to move forward on that item.**

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46 Mayor Blair reported that the construction in the area has increased speeding traffic on S. Oak Ave and E.
47 Rose Ave.

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1 As a point of order, Mr. Reischmann advised that this section of the agenda is for new agenda items
2 Council would like staff to work on. He suggested that these matters are directed to the City Manager
3 during her report or during Council & Mayor’s Comments and Reports.

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

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7 **12. COUNCIL & MAYOR’S COMMENTS AND REPORTS**

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9 Council Member Marks reported that she attended the Crystal Apple Awards, and the Village
10 Improvement Association Orange City Women event regarding human trafficking. She announced a pasta
11 dinner fundraiser for Backpack Buddies on March 20, 2020 at the Moose Lodge.

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13 Council Member Harper, concurred with Council Member Marks that he attended the same events.

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15 Council Member Allebach attended the Crystal Apple Awards, and the River-to-Sea TPO meeting. He
16 announced that the survey for the TPO priority list is located at the website R2CTPOConnect2045.com.

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18 Council Member Crippen mentioned the Volusia Forever and ECHO programs. He suggested the City
19 support these organizations. Council Member Crippen provided comments pertaining to the COVID-19
20 pandemic.

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22 Council Member Mahoney stated that he is interested in the COVID-19 report that Council Member
23 Crippen referred to.

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25 Vice Mayor O’Connor reported that he attended the VIA Orange City Women’s Club event and the
26 African American Heritage Festival.

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28 Mayor Blair reported that he attended the African American Heritage Festival, and the Mayor’s Round
29 Table. He reminded everyone about the upcoming Backpack for Buddies event.

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31 **13. ADJOURN:**

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33 Mayor Blair entertained a motion to adjourn.

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35 **Vice Mayor O’Connor moved to adjourn the City Council meeting, seconded by**
36 **Council Member Crippen, the meeting was adjourned by a unanimous voice vote**
37 **of the City Council.**

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39 There being no further business, Mayor Blair adjourned the meeting at 9:41 p.m.

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41 **RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:**

APPROVED ON:

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45 Melani Beringer
46 CMC, Deputy City Clerk

04/14/2020
Date