

1 **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING** of the City Council of the City of Orange City, Florida,
2 held on Tuesday, June 23, 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 **Physically present:** Chair Gary A. Blair, Council Members Martin Harper, and Jim Mahoney
11 **Telephonically present:** Vice Chair Bill O’Connor, Council Members O. William (Bill) Crippen, , Kelli
12 Marks, Jeff Allebach; City Attorney Neysa Borkert; 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 Council Member Harper followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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19 **1. ABSENCES:**

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21 None at this time.

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23 **2. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

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25 None at this time.

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27 **3. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

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29 None at this time.

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31 **4. CONSENT AGENDA:**

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33 A. Approve Fencing Replacement at Veteran’s Memorial Park
34 B. Approve June 09, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

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36 **Council Member Mahoney moved to approve the Consent Agenda,**
37 **seconded by Council Member Harper, the motion passed by unanimous**
38 **roll call vote of the City Council.**

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40 **5. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:**

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42 None at this time.

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

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46 None at this time.

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1 **7. RESOLUTIONS:**

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3 None at this time.

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5 **8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

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7 A. Contract Award – RSQ Q098-0-2019/DRS – Kentucky Avenue Special Assessment District

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9 Dale Arrington, City Manager came forward to provide a PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is
10 attached and becomes a permanent part of these minutes.) Ms. Arrington discussed the Kentucky Avenue
11 Special Assessment District. She provided a brief history regarding Kentucky Avenue road repairs. She
12 noted that Kentucky Avenue is a privately owned roadway and discussed the actions Council has taken to
13 date.

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15 Ms. Arrington reviewed the current status of Kentucky Avenue, the Council’s past actions, creating a
16 Special Assessment District to pay for the repairs, concepts for phases 1, 2 and 3 and the actions needed
17 to move forward.

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19 Ms. Arrington stated that staff is recommending that Council approve Resolution No 109-20 and award
20 the contract for coordinating the special assessment district to Bryant Miller Olive PA in the amount of
21 \$73,140 and the engineering contract to Maser Consulting PA in the amount \$259,657.50. She noted that
22 the Council must adopt Resolution No. 111-20 which is a budget amendment to use funds from the General
23 Fund.

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25 Chris Row, Consultant representing Bryant Miller Olive, spoke in regards to the role his firm would play
26 with the Kentucky Avenue project. He provided details regarding the procedures needed when cities
27 borrow money for capital improvement projects. Mr. Row stated that his firm acts as a bond counsel by
28 assisting with closing documents and compliance with all state and federal laws that comply when
29 borrowing funds.

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31 Greg Stevens, Maser Consulting, advised that his company will be assisting the City with creative design.
32 Mr. Stevens addressed issues regarding safety, drainage, and prior damage issues. He explained the
33 professional services that Maser Consulting will provide regarding construction on Kentucky Ave.

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35 A discussion ensued between Council and Mr. Row that included funds needed for the project, task five
36 phase one and the range of options, drainage issues, assessment project explanation, loan terms, minimum
37 standards for a public road, and the City’s responsibility to help the residents with a privately owned road.

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39 Louis Smith, 2416 Windermere Lane, came forward to state that on a daily average there are 20 to 30 cars
40 that use Kentucky Road. He noted that a firetruck would not have easy access into the RV Park off of
41 Graves Ave.

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43 A resident came forward to state that not all residents in the area are willing to agree to be a part of the
44 Kentucky Ave. project.

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46 A resident came forward to state that a lot of senior citizens reside in the RV Park and may not have the
47 income to participate in an added expense.

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- 1 1. **Resolution No. 109-20** A resolution of the City of Orange City, Florida,
2 authorizing the City Manager to execute contracts with Bryant Miller Olive P.A.
3 and Maser Consulting, P.A., respectively for professional consulting services
4 related to the design and funding of improvements to Kentucky Avenue;
5 providing for conflicts, severability, and effective date.

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7 Neysa Borkert read the title of Resolution No. 109-20 into the record.

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9 **Council Member Allebach moved to approve Resolution No. 109-20,**
10 **seconded by Council Member Harper, the motion passed by a unanimous**
11 **roll call vote of the City Council.**

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13 2. **Resolution No. 111-20** A resolution of the City Council of the City of Orange
14 City, Florida, amending the annual operating budget for fiscal year 2019-2020
15 by adjusting revenue and expenses; repealing all resolutions or parts of
16 resolutions in conflict herewith; and providing for an effective date.

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18 Neysa Borkert read the title of Resolution No. 111-20 into the record.

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20 **Council Member Mahoney moved to approve Resolution No. 111-20,**
21 **seconded by Council Member Harper the motion passed by a unanimous**
22 **roll call vote of the City Council.**

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24 **9. REPORTS:**

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26 **A. City Manager**

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28 Ms. Arrington reported that unless Governor DeSantis extends the executive order allowing for virtual
29 meetings, all Council meetings going forward will be back to physical quorum with social distancing
30 measures in place.

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32 It was the consensus of the Council to permit Ms. Arrington to proceed forward with the planning of the
33 Council meetings as she sees fit.

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35 **B. City Clerk**

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37 Ms. Thomas provided an update on the election. She noted that there will be an election on November 03,
38 2020. Ms. Thomas reported that there will be two candidates for the Mayor’s seat, Vice Mayor O’Connor
39 was unopposed, no one qualified for District 2, and a newcomer Mr. Tamison was unopposed for the
40 District 3 seat. She noted that once seated, the new council will have 45 days to appoint someone to the
41 District 2 seat.

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43 **C. City Attorney**

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45 Ms. Borkert thanked Council for the warm welcome.

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47 **10. NEW BUSINESS:**

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1 Council Member Crippen requested legislation in regard to a mandatory mask ordinance and to close the
2 City splash pads.

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4 **It was the consensus of the City Council for the City Manager to bring back**
5 **an agenda item regarding a mandatory mask ordinance and closing the**
6 **splash pads.**

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8 Council Member Marks requested a future agenda item to prioritize the sidewalk five year road program
9 to include E. French Ave. *(as amended 07/14/2020)*

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11 **It was the consensus of the City Council for the City Manager to bring back**
12 **an agenda item regarding a sidewalk five year road program.**
13 *(as amended 07/14/2020)*

14 **11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *(See Consent Agenda)*

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

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18 Council Member Marks thanked everyone for the beautiful job on Holly Ave. She appreciated Council
19 Member Crippen's comment regarding mandatory face masks. Council Member Marks stated that she is
20 looking forward to launching the Kentucky Ave project. She commented that the City Council works well
21 together.

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23 Council Member Crippen voiced concern about the increase in the COVID-19 numbers. He urged
24 everyone to continue to wear a face mask in public, wash their hands and practice social distancing to
25 prevent the spread. Council Member Crippen complimented everyone regarding the Kentucky Ave
26 discussion. He applauded everyone involved with the completion of the Holly Ave. project. He thanked
27 everyone and stated to stay safe.

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29 Council Member Allebach stated that the meeting was successful. He complimented everyone with the
30 completion of Holly Ave. Council Member Allebach stated that he will be attending a virtual TPO meeting
31 and will return with an update at the next Council meeting.

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33 Vice Mayor O'Connor agrees with the mask requirement. He stated that it was a good meeting. He
34 reported that the COVID-19 virus is getting closer to home with employees testing positive at Persimmons
35 Hollow in DeLand. He stated that the Holly Ave. project turned out amazing and he is very proud of the
36 street.

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38 Council Member Mahoney complimented Ms. Arrington with the Kentucky Ave. project. He stated for
39 everyone to stay safe.

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41 Council Member Harper reported on the Florida League of Cities webinar and that the Mayors discussed
42 the Fourth of July. He thanked Vice Mayor O'Connor for his charitable idea to donate the funds for the
43 cancelled Fourth of July event to the food banks. He stated that the Council has done a great job regarding
44 decisions needed for the virus. Council Member Harper commented about the financial concerns of the
45 elderly in his community through this matter.

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47 Mayor Blair thanked all staff for the work with Kentucky Ave. He stated that he is proud of the Council
48 for moving forward with this matter. Mayor Blair complimented the Holly Ave and the progress that has
49 been made. He stated that it is an environmental project that benefits the St. Johns River.

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13. ADJOURN:

Council Member Mahoney moved to adjourn the City Council meeting, seconded by Council Member Harper, the meeting was adjourned by a unanimous voice vote of the City Council.

There being no further business, Mayor Blair adjourned the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

APPROVED ON:

Melani Beringer
CMC, Deputy City Clerk

Date