

CITY OF APOPKA

Minutes of the City Council regular meeting held on April 1, 2020, 1:30 p.m., in the City of Apopka Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Mayor Bryan Nelson
Commissioner Doug Bankson
Commissioner Kyle Becker
Commissioner Alexander Smith
City Attorney Joseph Byrd
City Administrator Edward Bass

ABSENT Commissioner Alice Nolan, Excused

PRESS PRESENT: John Peery – The Apopka Chief

INVOCATION – Joseph Byrd, City Attorney, provided the invocation.

PLEDGE – Joseph Byrd, City Attorney led in the Pledge of Allegiance and provided the fact of the day. He said on April 3, 1860, the first Pony Express mail traveling by horse and rider relay team simultaneously leaves St. Joseph, Missouri and Sacramento, California. Ten days later the westbound rider and mail complete the 1800-mile journey and setting a new standard for speedy mail delivery. Today, we should be thankful for our current supply chain partners who are on the road for our road to recovery would be much worse without them because they are all bringing very much needed transportation of all the supplies that we need.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. City Council regular meeting April 1, 2020.

MOTION by Commissioner Smith, and seconded by Commissioner Bankson, to approve minutes of April 1, 2020, regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

AGENDA REVIEW –. City Administrator Bass advised as to a few changes to the agenda. Changes include: Public Hearing, Item#1, Ordinance No. 2753 has been requested to be withdrawn by the applicant and Public Hearing, Item #6, Ordinance No. 2758 has been requested to be postponed to a date uncertain by the applicant.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was one public comment sent in by Carl Charlot, 1367 Juniper Hammock Street, Winter Garden, Florida who asked whether with the virus coming in and hurting the economy, whether we should no longer anticipate our City Center. He stated that many Apopkans have been looking forward to having retail and fine dining options, which will generate income and create more jobs. He asked whether this was still being planned, and if so, will we be posting updates as to when the development will take place.

Mayor Nelson stated that the hotel has put off their opening until at least May or June. He said that the apartment builder on 6th Street has withdrawn his contract to purchase the property. He further stated that until we get on the backside of this Covid-19 virus, he doesn't anticipate anyone stepping forward with any retail or dining options.

CONSENT:

1. Approve Drainage Easement Agreement between the City of Apopka and Central Florida Expressway Authority for City owned right-of-way on Ocoee-Apopka Road.
2. Accept grant submission notification.
3. Authorize the issuance of blanket purchase orders for fiscal year 2020.

MOTION by Commissioner Becker and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the three items on the Consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

BUSINESS:

1. Re-Plat – Marden Ridge PUD, Lots 3 and 4
Applicant: MRAD Phase II, LLC, c/o Michael D. Niederst
Project: 16.08 +/- acres; Division of two lots into one lot with two tracts
Location: 1438 Marden Ridge Loop
Project Manager: Jean Sanchez

Jim Hitt, Community Development Director stated that he would be presenting all of the items being brought forward today on behalf of the Community Development Department in an attempt to keep everyone safe.

Mr. Hitt provided a brief overview of the project and noted that Luke Classen of Appian Engineering was present as well. He stated the project is located off Marden Ridge, just to the North of the Marden Ridge Apartments, Phase I and is a high density, 15 dwelling unit per acre development with a 264 unit development. He said this is a request to re-plat lots 3 & 4, creating three lots to allow room for recreation, drainage as well as the apartments. He stated that the Development Review Committee as well as the Planning Commission have both recommended approval.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Bankson and seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the Re-Plat of Marden Ridge PUD, Lots 3 & 4. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker & Smith voting aye.

2. Plat – Legacy Hills
Owner: JEL Land Development LLC
Applicant: GTC Engineering Corporation
Location: South of Schopke Road, west of Schopke Lester Road
Project: 19.67 acres +/-; 48 single family homes
Project Manager: Phil Martinez

Jim Hitt, Community Development Director provided an overview of the project and advised that this is the Final Development Plan and Plat. He stated that the property is located South of Schopke Road and West of Schopke Lester Road and said that the proposed development is for a

residential low density development with 0-5 dwelling units per acre. He said the development will include 48 single-family homes and is a Planned Unit Development. This development has been reviewed in accordance with the 1993 Land Development Code. Council previously approved the Preliminary Development Plan for this on March 6, 2019, and the PUD was approved under Ordinance No. 2660. The plat is consistent with the Preliminary Development Plan. The Development Review Committee and the Planning Commission found the plat was consistent with the Preliminary Development Plan and the Final Development Plan and recommend approval of the plat.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing

MOTION by Commissioner Bankson and seconded by Commissioner Becker to approve the Plat submitted for Legacy Hills. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker & Smith voting aye.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/ORDINANCES/RESOLUTION (Action Item)

1. Ordinance No. 2753 – Second Reading – Annexation
Owner: VBRO Enterprises, Inc.
Applicant: Burkett Engineering, Inc. c/o William E. Burkett, P.E.
Location: 25 East Lester Road
Project: 1.92 +/- acres
Project Manager: Jean Sanchez
Withdrawn by applicant
The Clerk read the title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2753

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, TO EXTEND ITS TERRITORIAL AND MUNICIPAL LIMITS TO ANNEX PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 171.044 THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED LANDS SITUATED AND BEING IN ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, OWNED BY VBRO ENTERPRISES, INC.; LOCATED AT 25 EAST LESTER ROAD; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Jim Hitt advised that this property was the development that was just West of Lester Road that the City was looking to annex into the City, but there was a disagreement with Orange County in regards to it creating an enclave. He stated that the applicant met with Orange County on March 17, 2020, and is working on a possible solution. Mr. Hitt stated that we have had something similar to this before and we should be able to work out an agreement.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing

MOTION by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Becker, to approve the applicants request for withdrawal of Ordinance No. 2753. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

2. Ordinance No. 2762 - Second Reading - Amending the General Employees' Retirement Trust Fund

Presented by: Edward Bass

The Clerk read the title as follows

ORDINANCE NO. 2762

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 54 "RETIREMENT SYSTEMS," BY AMENDING ARTICLE II, "GENERAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM," SECTION 54-19, "DEFINITIONS"; SECTION 54-24 "BENEFIT AMOUNTS AND ELIGIBILITY"; SECTION 54-44, "DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN"; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Edward Bass, City Administrator, stated that this is the second reading of Ordinance No. 2762 related to the General Employees' Retirement Pension Plan. He said there are no changes since the first reading.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing

MOTION by Commissioner Bankson, and seconded by Commissioner Smith, to adopt Ordinance No. 2762, amending the General Employees' Retirement Trust Fund. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker and Smith voting aye.

3. Ordinance No. 2763 - Second Reading - Amending the Police Officers' Retirement Trust Fund

Presented by: Edward Bass

The Clerk read the title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2763

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 54 "RETIREMENT SYSTEMS," BY AMENDING ARTICLE IV, "POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM," SECTION 54-119, "DEFINITIONS AND RULES OF CONSTRUCTION"; SECTION 54-124, "BENEFIT AMOUNTS AND ELIGIBILITY"; SECTION 54-125, "PRE-RETIREMENT DEATH"; SECTION 54-146, "DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN";

**PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY;
PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Edward Bass, City Administrator, stated that this is the second reading of Ordinance No. 2763 related to the Police Officers' Retirement System. He said there are no changes since the first reading.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Smith, and seconded by Commissioner Becker, to adopt Ordinance No. 2763, amending the Police Officers' Retirement System. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

4. Ordinance No. 2764 - Second Reading - Amending the Firefighters' Retirement Trust Fund
Presented by: Edward Bass
The Clerk read the title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2764

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 54 "RETIREMENT SYSTEMS," BY AMENDING ARTICLE III, "FIREFIGHTERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM," SECTION 54-66, "DEFINITIONS AND RULES OF CONSTRUCTION"; SECTION 54-71, "BENEFIT AMOUNTS AND ELIGIBILITY"; SECTION 54-72, "PRE-RETIREMENT DEATH"; SECTION 54-73, "DISABILITY"; SECTION 54-93, "DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN"; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Edward Bass, City Administrator, stated that this is the second reading of Ordinance No. 2764 related to the Firefighters' Retirement System. He said there are no changes since the first reading.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing

MOTION by Commissioner Becker, and seconded by Commissioner Smith, to adopt Ordinance No. 2764, amending the Firefighters' Retirement System. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

5. Ordinance No. 2757 – First Reading - Change of Zoning
From: T (Transitional)
To: PR (Parks and Recreation District)
Applicant: City of Apopka

Location: North of Lust Road, west of S.R. 429

Project: 69.5 +/- acres; 605,484 non-residential sq. ft. (recreation or conservation related use per SJRWMD agreement) - Project Manager: Phil Martinez

The Clerk read the title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2757

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING FROM T (TRANSITIONAL DISTRICT) TO PR (PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT) FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED NORTH OF LUST ROAD AND WEST OF STATE ROUTE 429, COMPRISING 69.5 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND OWNED BY CITY OF APOPKA; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Jim Hitt, Community Development Director stated that this property is part of the Hickerson property and will bring this into a conservation/parks and recreation district within the City of Apopka. He said the property is located off Binion Road at Lust Road at the entrance to Lake Apopka Loop. He stated that the Future Land Use for this property is Parks and Recreation. He said the Development Review Committee and the Planning Commission found the proposed amendment consistent with the comprehensive plan and the character of the surrounding area. He stated that staff recommends approval of the first reading and hold over for a second reading.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Bankson, and seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve Ordinance No. 2757 at first reading and hold over for a second reading. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

6. Ordinance No. 2758 – First Reading - Change of Zoning

From: T (Transitional)

To: MU-ES-GT (Mixed-Use East Short District)

Owner: Binion Road LLC

Applicant: G.L. Summit Engineering, Inc.

Location: North of Harmon Road, east of South Binion Road

Project: 19.72 +/- acres; proposed 295 Dwelling Units - Project Manager: Phil Martinez

The applicant requested to postpone this item to a date uncertain.

The Clerk read the title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2758

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING FROM T (TRANSITIONAL DISTRICT) TO MU-ES-GT (MIXED USE EAST SHORE GATEWAY DISTRICT) FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED NORTH OF HARMON ROAD AND EAST OF S. BINION ROAD, COMPRISING 19.71 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND OWNED BY BINION ROAD LLC; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Jim Hitt, Community Development Director stated that the applicant, Geoff Summit, of Summit Engineering requested that this item be postponed to a date uncertain, which means we will have to re-advertise and post public notification as well as provide notice by mail again. He stated that one of the reasons is due to the ongoing OCPS issues with the concurrency evaluations for the properties with the school system. He stated that for this reason, postponement is recommended.

Joseph Byrd, City Attorney provided an update regarding the issue with OCPS. He stated that in July 2019, OCPS stopped processing any CEA's. When we went to meetings at the beginning of this year, that there was supposed to be a legislative fix however the legislation passed without any caveat for Orange County and included some preemptory language. He stated that the law, as it applies, provides that every County must provide a dollar for dollar credit toward impact fees for anything paid for any type of agreement. He stated that he followed up with OCPS and currently, there is no progress being made as to any agreement, which is potentially holding up future development. He said one possible solution may be to raise the impact fees and do away with the CEA's. He stated that the City of Apopka is not the only municipality in Orange County having this issue and that he will continue to follow this issue and provide additional updates in the future.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Bankson, and seconded by Commissioner Smith, to postpone the reading of Ordinance No. 2758 to date uncertain. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

7. Ordinance No. 2759 – First Reading - Comprehensive Plan – Small Scale – Future Land Use Amendment

From: Industrial (0.60 Floor Area Ratio (FAR))

To: Mixed-Use (0-15 du/ac; 10 FAR)

Owner: PMDW Ventures, LLC, c/o Robert Wallen

Applicant: GL Summit Engineering, Inc., c/o Geoff Summit, P.E.

Location: 2610 Peterson Road

Project: 3.37 +/- acres; 15 Single Family Residential (SFR) Units (A total of 58 Single Family Residential Units and 146 Townhome Units, based on Concept Plan and aggregate development site of approximately 41 acres.)

Project Manager: Jean Sanchez

The Clerk read the title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2759

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE APOPKA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF APOPKA; CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FROM INDUSTRIAL TO MIXED-USE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT 2610 PETERSON ROAD, OWNED BY PMDW VENTURES, LLC; COMPRISING 3.37 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Jim Hitt, Community Development Director provided an overview of the project. He said this is for a comprehensive plan amendment to change the industrial land use to a mixed-use district, which is up to 15 dwelling units per acre. He said, the applicant, Geoff Summit was present and he provided the location of the proposed development. He stated that this development was consistent with the comprehensive plan and compatible with surrounding areas. He further stated that the Development Review Committee and the Planning Commission recommended approval. The recommendation is to approve Ordinance No. 2759 at first reading and hold over for a second reading and adoption.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Bankson, and seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve Ordinance No. 2759 at first reading and carry over for a second reading. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

8. Ordinance No. 2760 – First Reading - Change of Zoning
From: I-L (Light Industrial) and C-C (Community Commercial)
To: MU-ES-GT (Mixed-Use-East Shore-Gateway)
Owner: PMDW Ventures, LLC, c/o Robert Wallen
Applicant: GL Summit Engineering, Inc., c/o Geoff Summit, P.E.
Location: 2600 and 2610 Peterson Road
Project: 41.4 +/- acres; 58 Single Family Residential Units and 146 Townhome Units
Project Manager: Jean Sanchez
The Clerk read the title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2760

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA CHANGING THE ZONING FROM C-C (COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL) AND I-L LIGHT INDUSTRIAL) DISTRICTS TO MU-ES-GT (MIXED USE-EAST SHORE-GATEWAY) DISTRICT FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2600 AND 2610 PETERSON ROAD COMPRISING 41.4 ACRES, MORE OR LESS AND OWNED BY PMDW VENTURES, LLC; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Jim Hitt, Community Development Director provided an overview of the project. He stated that this is generally the same location as Ordinance No. 2759 regarding the Comprehensive Plan – Small Scale - Future Land Use Amendment. He stated that this project is in accordance with the 2019 Land Development Code. Development Review Committee and the Planning Commission recommend approval of Ordinance No. 2760 at first reading and hold over for a second reading and adoption.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Smith, and seconded by Commissioner Becker, to approve Ordinance No. 2760 at first reading and carry over for a second reading. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

9. Ordinance No. 2761 – First Reading - Annexation
Owner/Applicant: Collier Benge Land Joint Venture LLC
Location: North of Dew Berry Avenue, east of Hermit Smith Road
Project: 3.53 +/-
Project Manager: Phil Martinez
The Clerk read the title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2761

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, TO EXTEND ITS TERRITORIAL AND MUNICIPAL LIMITS TO ANNEX PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 171.044 THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED LANDS SITUATED AND BEING IN ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, OWNED BY COLLIER BENGE LAND JOINT VENTURE LLC; LOCATED NORTH OF DEW BERRY AVENUE AND EAST OF HERMIT SMITH ROAD; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Jim Hitt, Community Development Director provided an overview of this annexation and stated that this is a 3.53 acre parcel. He stated that this parcel was originally termed the 429 West project but has been renamed to the Floridian Town Center. He stated that the Development Review Committee and the Planning Commission recommend approval of Ordinance No. 2761 and hold over for a second reading and adoption.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Bankson, and seconded by Commissioner Becker, to approve Ordinance No. 2761 at first reading and carry over for a second reading. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

10. Resolution 2020-05 with Waste Pro, USA, Inc. for a non-exclusive franchise
Presented by: Edward Bass.
The Clerk read the title as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO WASTE

PRO USA, INC. TO PROVIDE "ROLL-OFF" CONTAINER COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF WASTE IN THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO CITY OF APOPKA CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 58, ARTICLE III; PROVIDING FOR THE TERM OF YEARS FOR THE FRANCHISE; PROVIDING FOR FRANCHISE FEE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Edward Bass, City Administrator, provided an overview of Resolution No. 2020-05 and said that this resolution grants a non-exclusive franchise agreement to Waste Pro USA, Inc. He stated that this is the resolution is required by our code in order to provide this service on the City roadways.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Becker, and seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve Resolution 2020-05. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

11. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-06 with Randy Suggs, Inc. for a non-exclusive franchise to provide roll-off and waste disposal services within the City of Apopka.
Presented by: Edward Bass
The Clerk read the title as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO RANDY SUGGS, INC. TO PROVIDE "ROLL-OFF" CONTAINER COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF WASTE IN THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO CITY OF APOPKA CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 58, ARTICLE III; PROVIDING FOR THE TERM OF YEARS FOR THE FRANCHISE; PROVIDING FOR FRANCHISE FEE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Edward Bass, City Administrator, provided an overview of Resolution No. 2020-06 and said that this resolution grants a non-exclusive franchise agreement to Randy Suggs, Inc. He stated that this is the resolution is required by our code in order to provide this service on the City roadways.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Smith, and seconded by Commissioner Becker, to approve Resolution 2020-06. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

12. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-07 with Container Rental Company, Inc. for a non-exclusive franchise to provide roll-off and waste disposal services within the City of Apopka.
Presented by: Edward Bass
The Clerk read the title as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-07

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO CONTAINER RENTAL COMPANY, INC. TO PROVIDE "ROLL-OFF" CONTAINER COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF WASTE IN THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO CITY OF APOPKA CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 58, ARTICLE III; PROVIDING FOR THE TERM OF YEARS FOR THE FRANCHISE; PROVIDING FOR FRANCHISE FEE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Edward Bass, City Administrator, provided an overview of Resolution No. 2020-07 and said that lastly, this resolution grants a non-exclusive franchise agreement to Container Rental Company, Inc. He reiterated that this is the resolution is required by our code in order to provide this service on the City roadways.

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Bankson, and seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve Resolution 2020-07. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Nelson, and Commissioners Bankson, Becker, and Smith voting aye.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Commissioner Bankson said that these are unprecedented times and he said communication has been an issue with regard to getting the word out. He understands that there is a lot of information to keep up with.

Commissioner Smith agreed that these are trying times and said that communication is key to make sure the information is updated. He thought that most residents are complying with social distancing and advised that we all need to be cautious and careful of the current situation.

Commissioner Becker said that perhaps we can get daily updates in order to provide the most current information to the citizens through social media pages. He stated that communication is key and where there is so much information from Federal, State and local agencies, perhaps we can provide a daily update to our citizens with more local updates.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – No report.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT – No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Nelson provided a Covid-19 update and stated that as a precaution only, we have three employees that are staying home. He reported the City does not, at this time, have any employees that have a Covid-19 issue. We also have one employee that will be off for 2 weeks due to underlying health conditions. All of our non-critical staff is working on alternating days on and off and we will re-assess this schedule later this week. He recognized our IT Department stating they have been working hard behind the scenes to make all of this work and gave kudos to a job well done.

He announced that we have eliminated public access to our Public Works Department and there will be no public access to the facility on Cleveland. The postponement of the Farmers Market is extended to May 7, 2020. He also stated that we have given extensions to all building permits for 6 months. He also provided we have included Police and Fire emergency protocol. He stated that he spoke to Chief Wylam as to bringing on additional help, if needed. He further stated that an antibody test would be available to test all of our first responders as soon as Monday or Tuesday of next week.

He reported that Governor DeSantis has issued a Stay at Home Order for all of Florida beginning at midnight on April 2, 2020. This will be more restrictive and essential businesses such as grocery stores pharmacy He should that he received a call from Tim Clark of Advent Health Hospital and should this pandemic get worse and the hospital can't handle the load, the City has offered up our site on Binion Road as a mobile hospital site. We have also offered up our Northwest Recreation Site for a graduation parade site. The will be something we can do for the high school graduates for both Apopka High and Wekiva High, should they not be able to hold the graduations as planned at UCF Arena.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2.53 p.m.

ATTEST:

Bryan Nelson, Mayor

Susan M. Bone, Deputy City Clerk